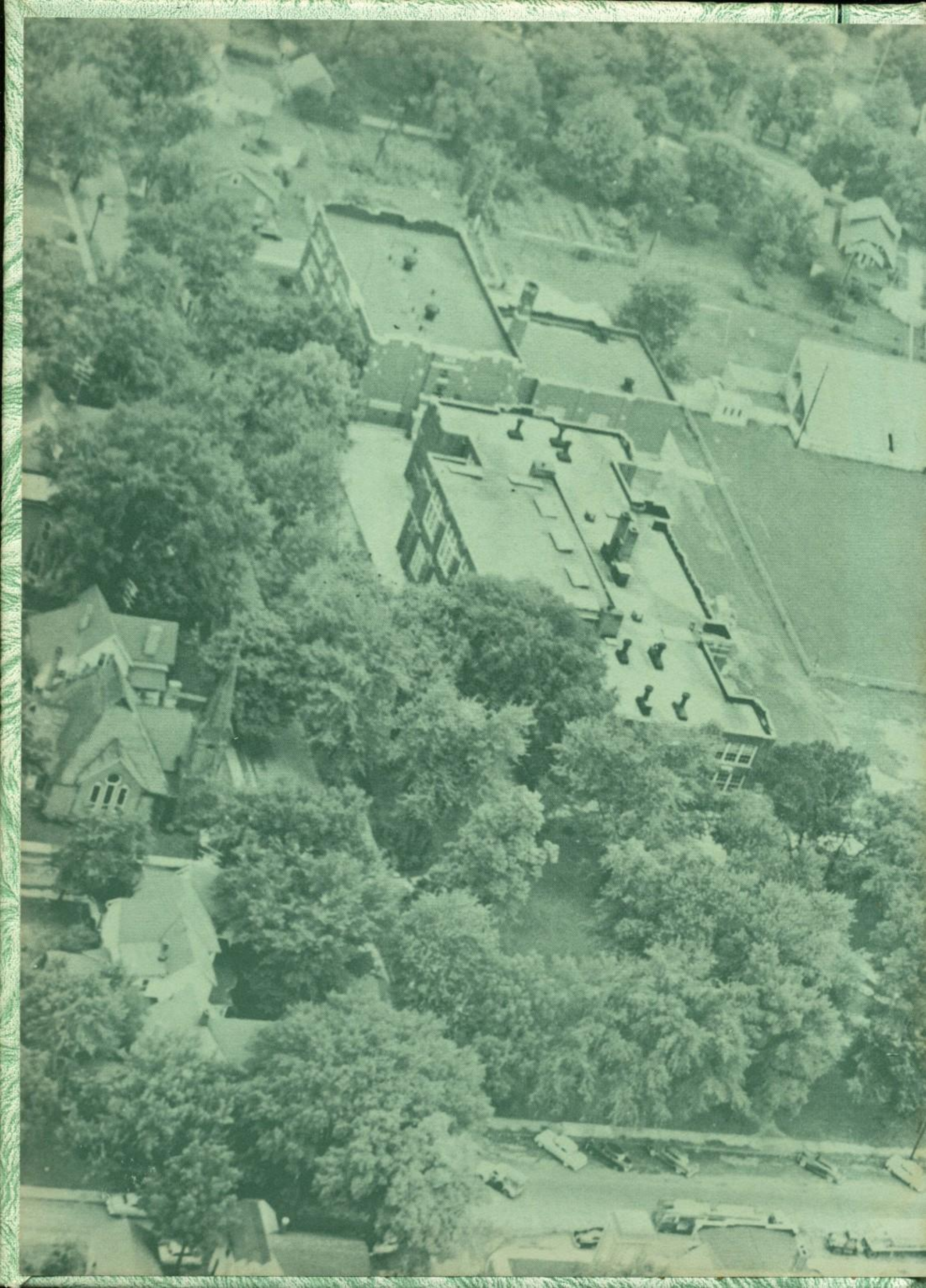


Excalibur

















## DEDICATION



**MRS. WILBUR SHAW**

The Senior Class feels privileged to pay tribute to Mrs. Wilbur Shaw through the dedication of our 1955 *Excalibur*. Throughout our high school years, Alice Ann has been of continual assistance to all of us. We cannot possibly thank her enough for her kindness and generosity; and, therefore, it is with a mixture of humility and pride that we dedicate to her this book, the 1955 *Excalibur*.







Mr. Bennett  
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Mrs. Fred Ehman  
*Secretary to Mr. Bennett*



Mrs. Wilbur Shaw  
*Secretary to Mr. Baker*



Mr. Baker  
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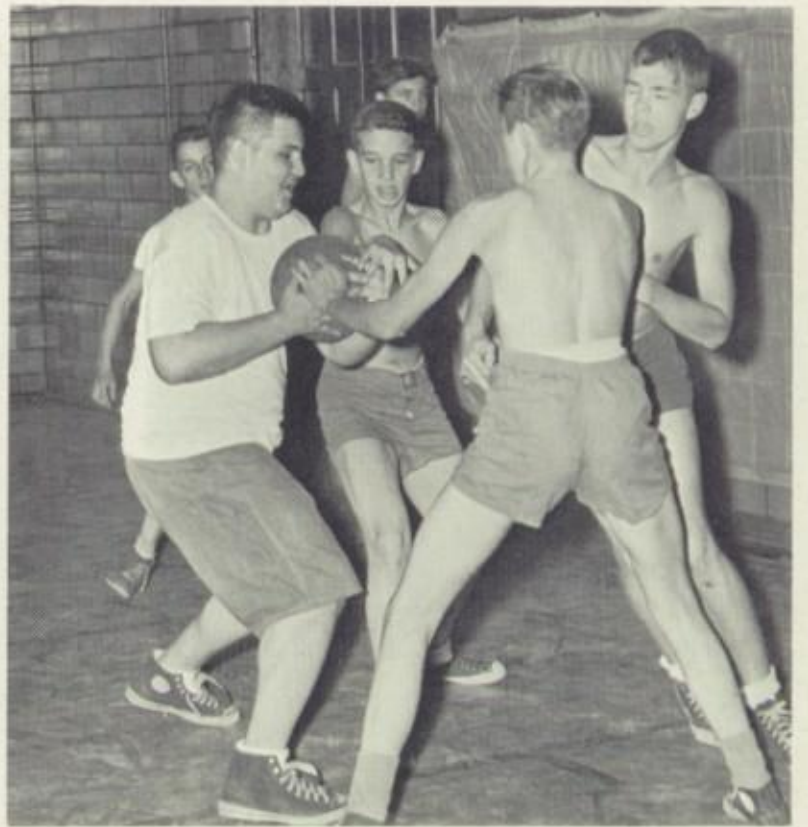
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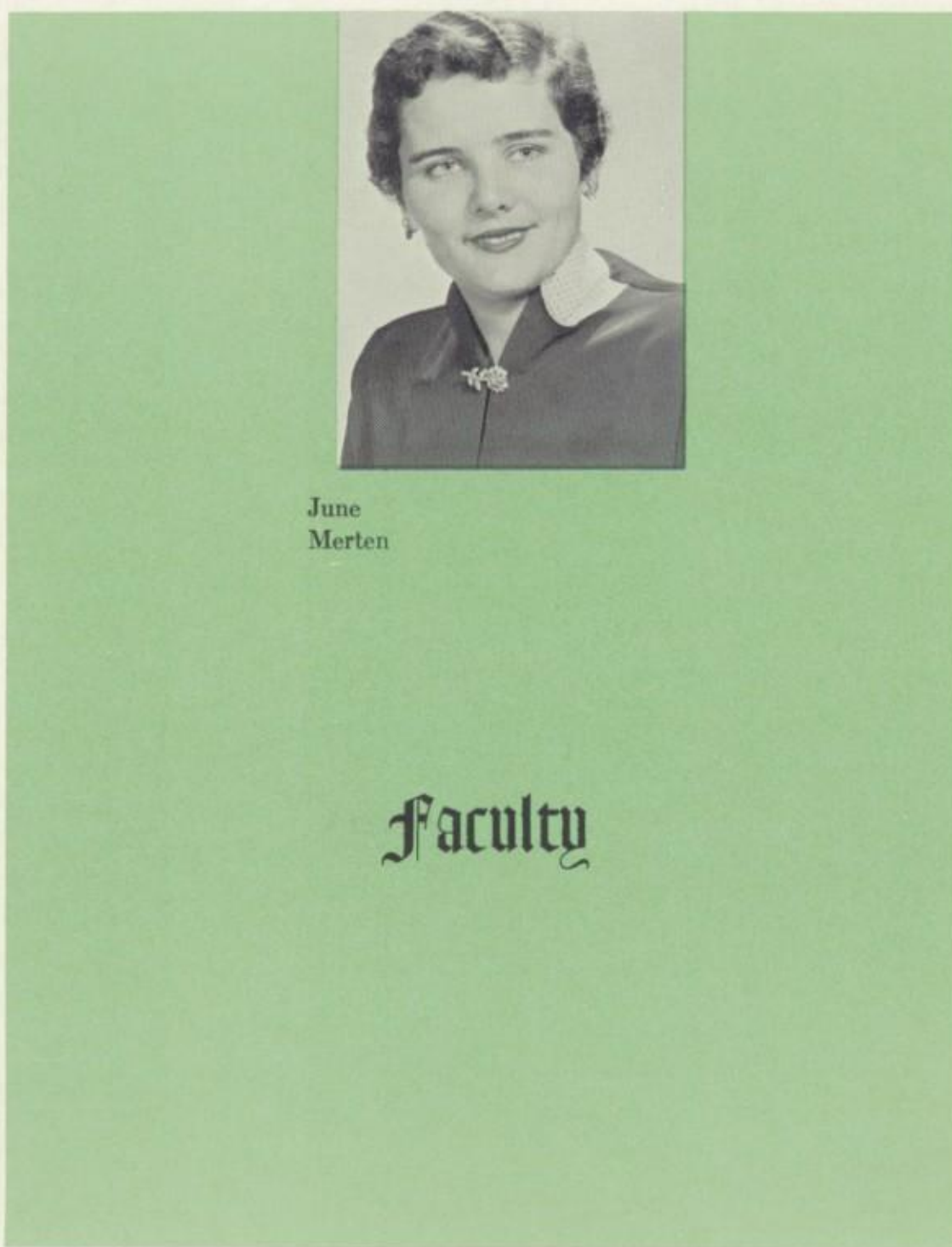
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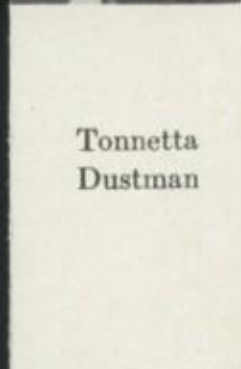
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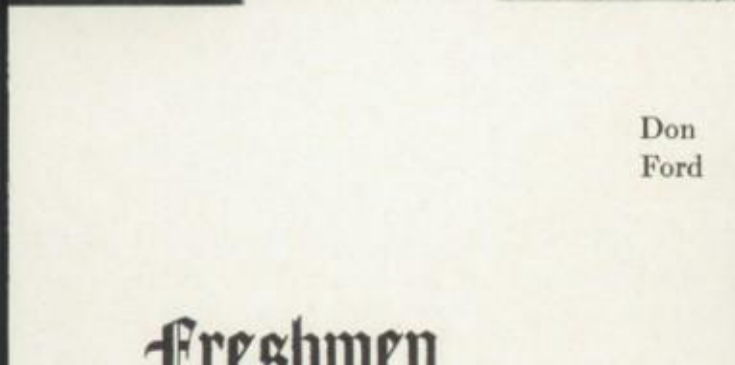
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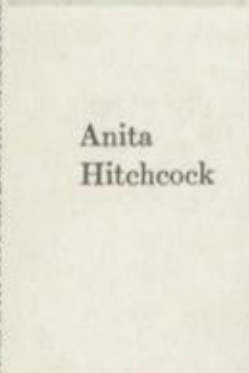
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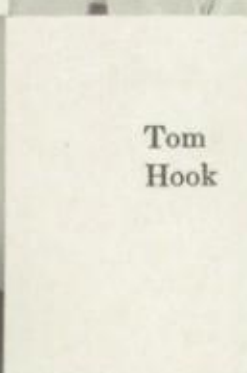
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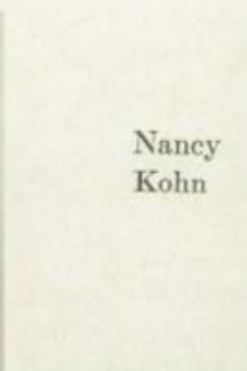
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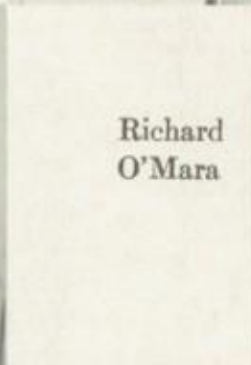
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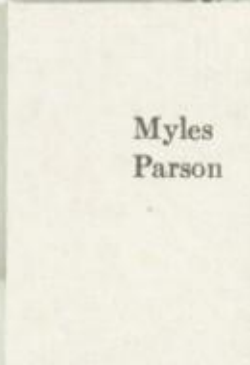
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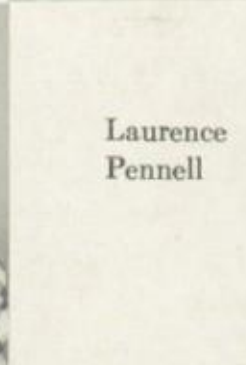
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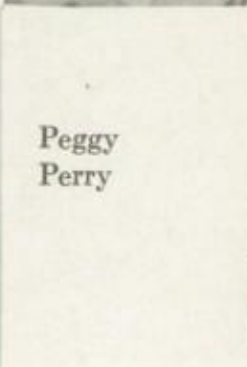
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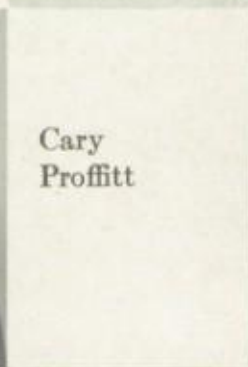
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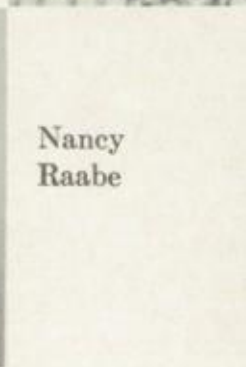
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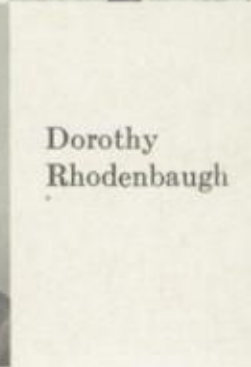
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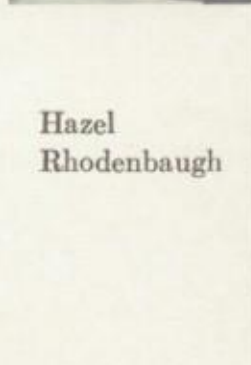
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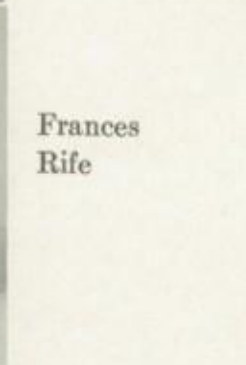
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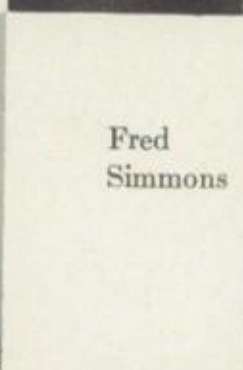
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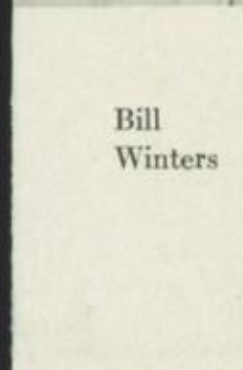
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## Sophomores

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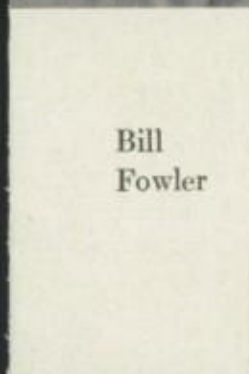
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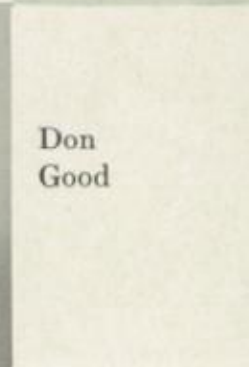
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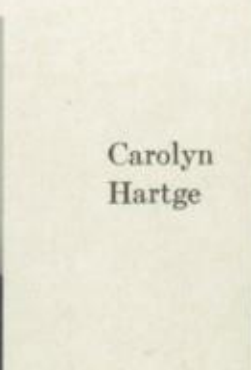
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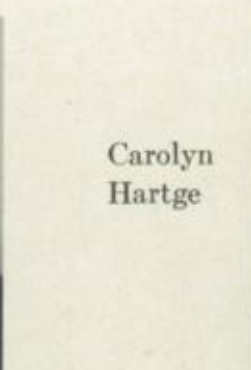
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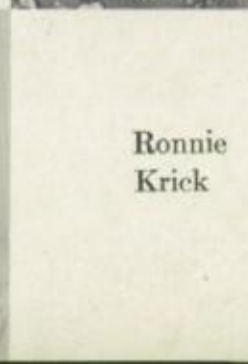
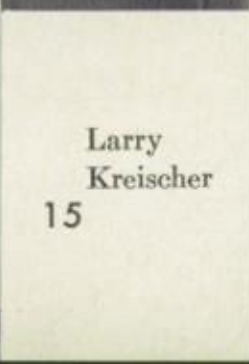
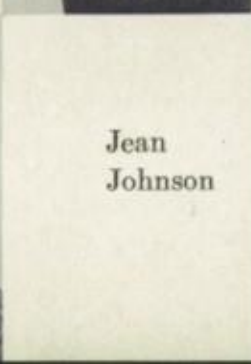
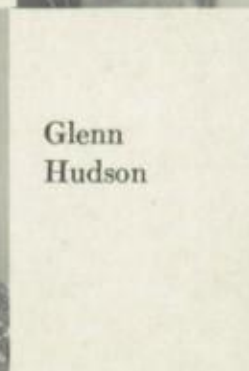
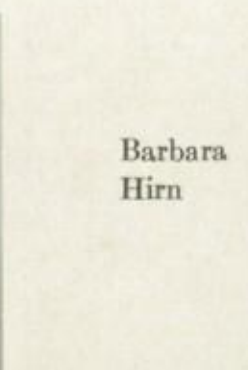
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## Sophomores





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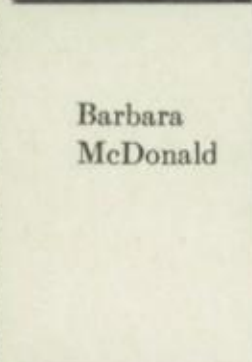
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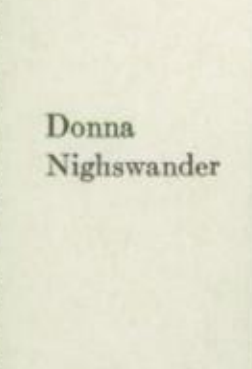
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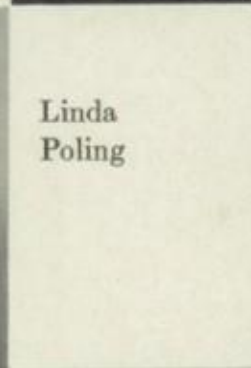
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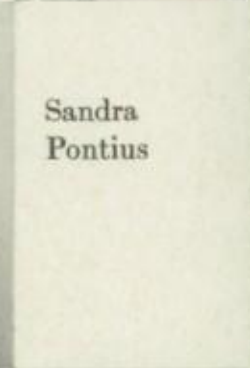
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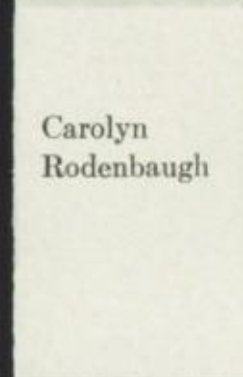
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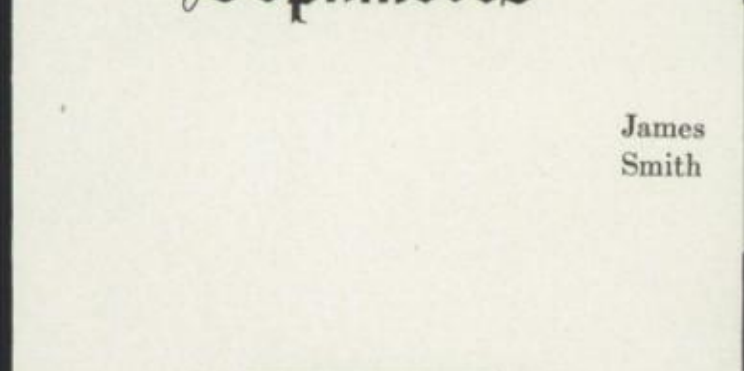
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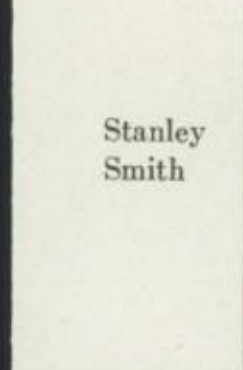
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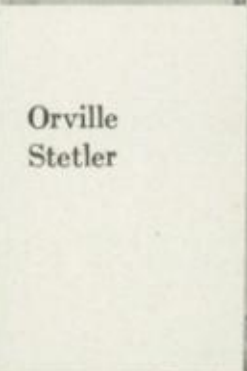
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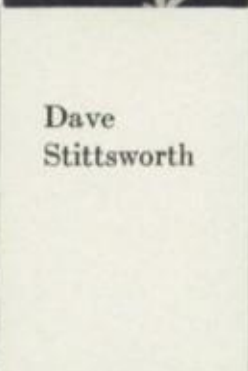
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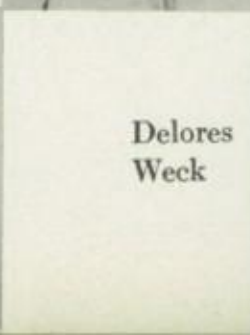
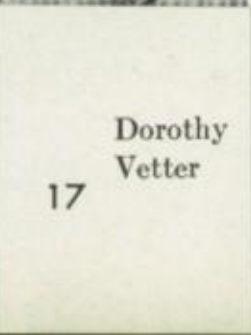
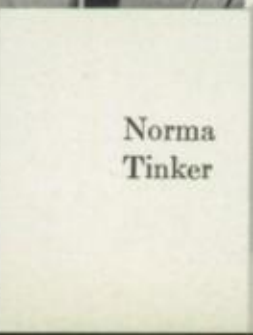
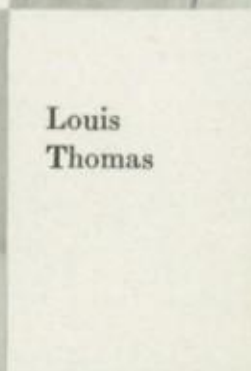
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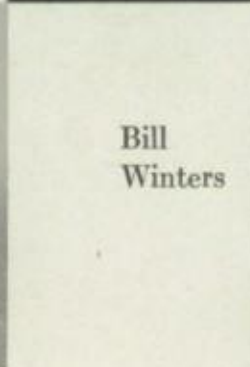
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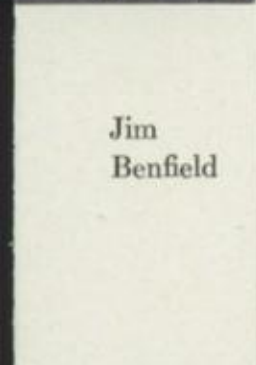
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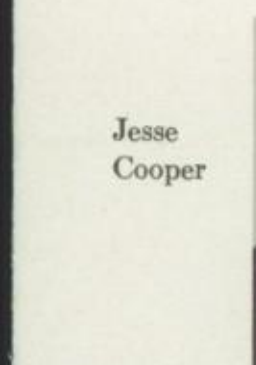
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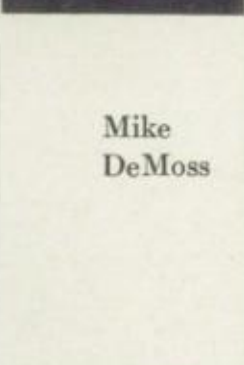
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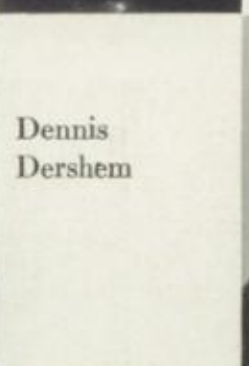
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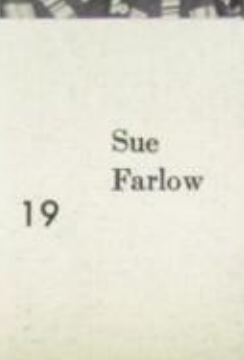
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## Juniors

Walter  
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Harold  
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## Juniors

Sheila  
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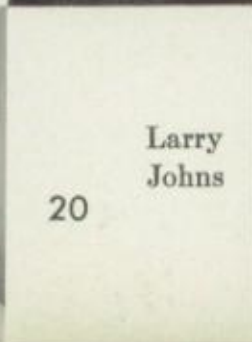
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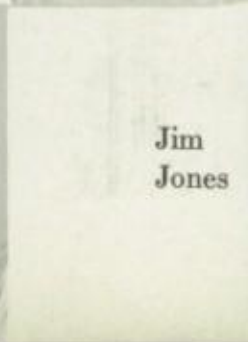
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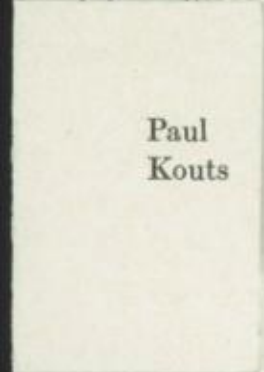
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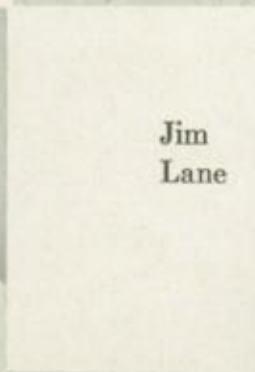
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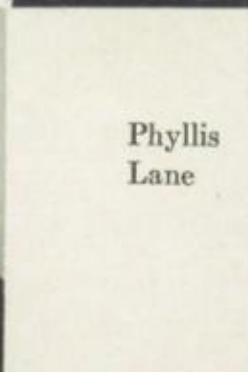
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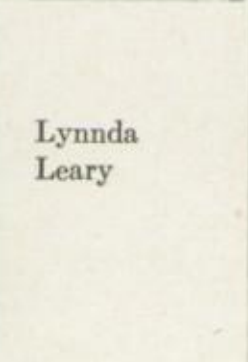
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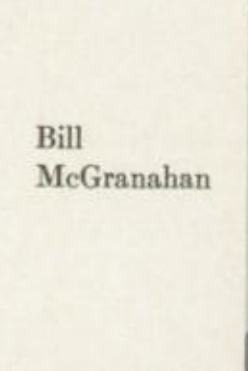
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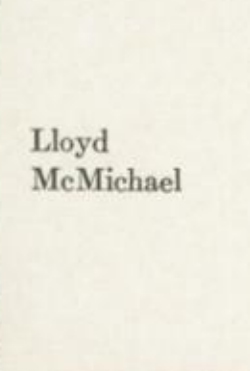
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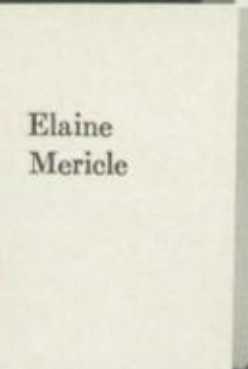
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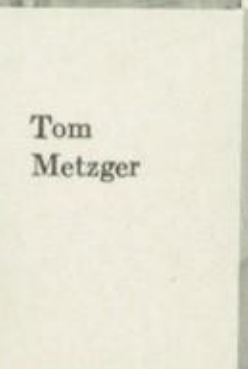
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# Juniors

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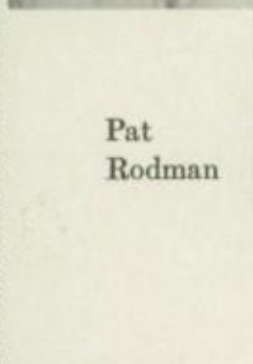
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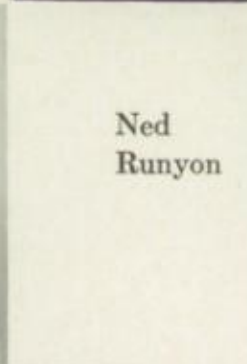
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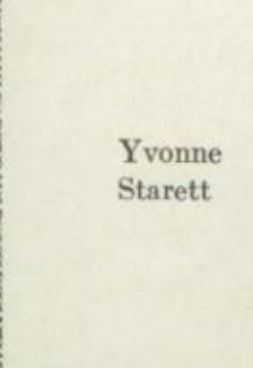
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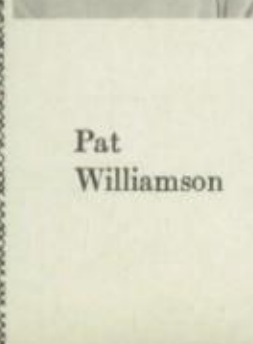
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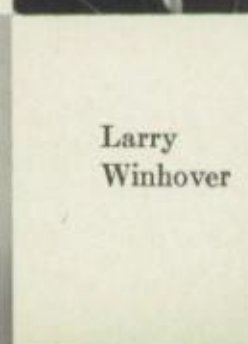
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## Juniors

## Juniors





Bob  
Witherow



Sam  
Worthington



Ray  
Yahn



Bob  
Young



Judy  
Zinsmeister

## Juniors









# Seniors







Starley Mae  
Agler



Hugh Eldon  
Akerman



John  
Alvarado



David John  
Ashbaugh

Ronald Ray  
Bagley



Ronald Ernest  
August





Margaret Alice  
Bell



Mary Louise  
Bell



Jack R.  
Blackmore



Dorothy Elaine  
Block



Donn Thomas  
Borden



David Terry  
Boroff





Iona Jane  
Brenneman



Janice Irene  
Brown



Gary Gene  
Brunni



Jerry Thurston  
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Rose Jennette  
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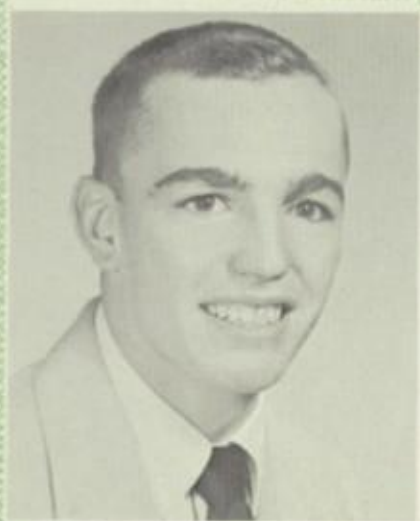
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Martha Pearl  
Dunno

Sandra Kay  
Dysert



Nancy Jane  
Dustman







Philip L.  
Edsall



Carol Velma  
Eggers



Carol Joan  
Evans



Howard Eugene  
Fellers



Donald Eugene  
Finkhousen



Carl E.  
Font





Julia Ann  
Ford



William Carl  
Gallaway



Jacquelyn Sue  
Geisman



Marcia June  
Geisman



Alice Mae  
Germann



Karl Fredrick  
Gingrich





Daniel John  
Gorman



Edward Lee  
Grunden



D. E.  
Hainline



Nancy Lee  
Harruff



Roger Lee  
Hartge



Sandra Kay  
Harting





Margaret Carol  
Hilton



Marilyn Sue  
Hines



Jean Ann  
Hipsley



Donald Ray  
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Marcia Ann  
Ireton



William Howard  
Johns





Dorothy Lou  
Johnson



James Arthur  
Jordan



Peggy Louise  
Kear



Robert Eugene  
Keith



Barbara Joan  
Kesler



Harry Eugene  
Kouts





William Dean  
Kreischer



Lawrence Lee Edward  
Krick



Raymond Edmond  
LaLonde



Richard William  
LaLonde



Dennis Arnold  
Linser



Joyce Ilene  
McCammon





James Eugene  
Mager



John  
Merkle



Barbara Jean  
Miller



John Robert  
Mills



Harold Allen  
Mohr



Luella Ann  
Mottinger





Berthajane  
Myers



Louella Mae  
Phillips



William I.  
Pontius



Esther N. M.  
Price



Esther Ruthe  
Prishey



J. Noble  
Prichard





Shirley Joan  
Renner



Don Roger  
Rhodenbaugh



Shirley M.  
Riley



Robert Dale  
Shaffner



Robert S.  
Sherman



Gerald Allen  
Slane





Barbara Jean  
Smith



Linda Lee  
Spitler



Marilyn Ann  
Spridgeon



Dale Francis  
Steele



Gary Eugene  
Stoller



Coleen Kay  
Thatcher





Donald Eugene  
Tomlinson



Anne R.  
Turner



Jack  
Uncapher



Ralph Bernard  
Unterbrink



Peggy Ann  
Waldron



Nancy Jane  
Waymire





Marilyn Alice,  
Weck



Joan Marie  
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Robert Lynn  
Werts



Linda Ann  
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Gene  
Wilson



Cary Eugene  
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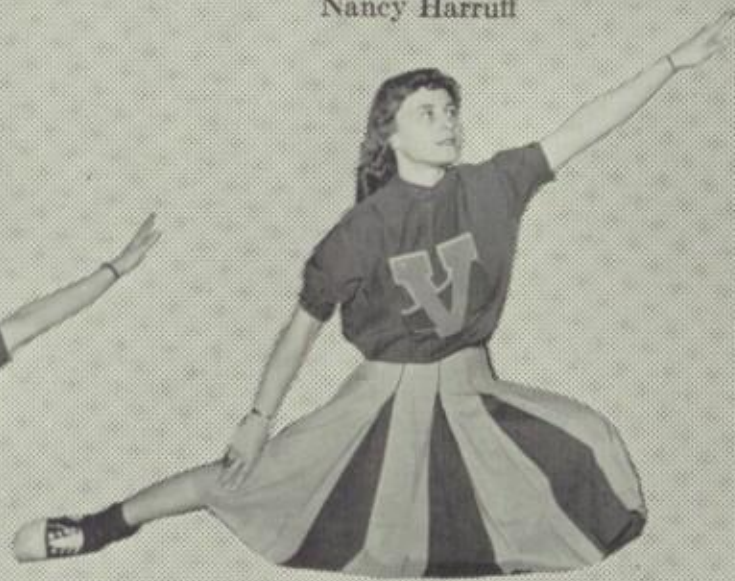


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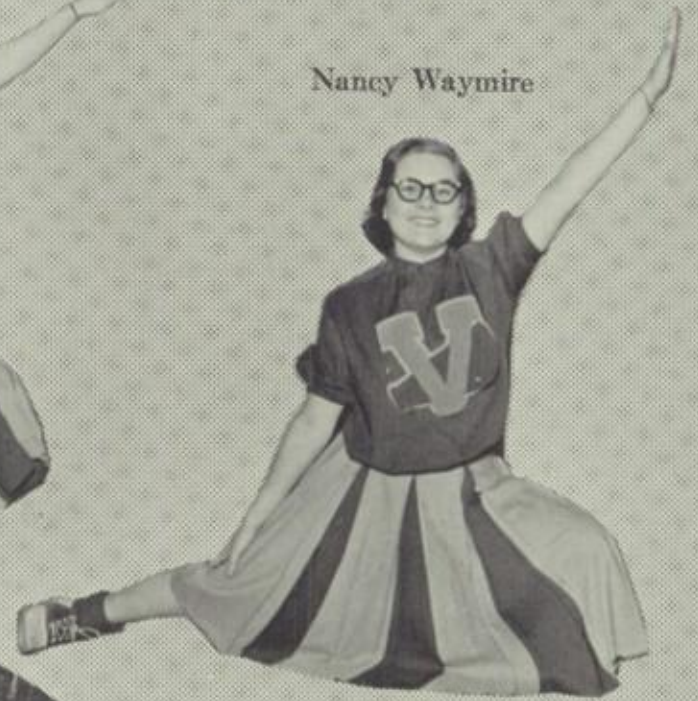




Nancy Harruff



Nancy Waymire



Carol Eggerss



RESERVE CHEERLEADERS

Diane Folck  
Diane Roth  
Janice Prior  
Marie Lewis  
Carol Heshner  
Peg Brown



Elaine Mericle



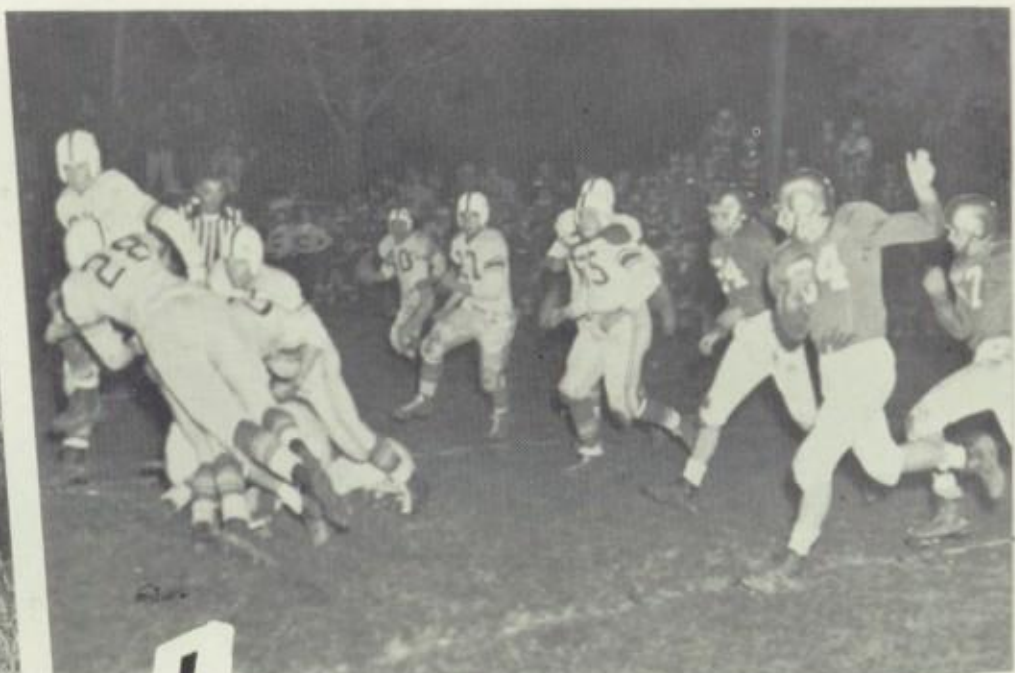
Linda Bagley



Sue Farlow







# Sports







Howard  
Fellers



Larry  
Feeney



Ronnie  
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Bob  
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Jerry  
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Bagley



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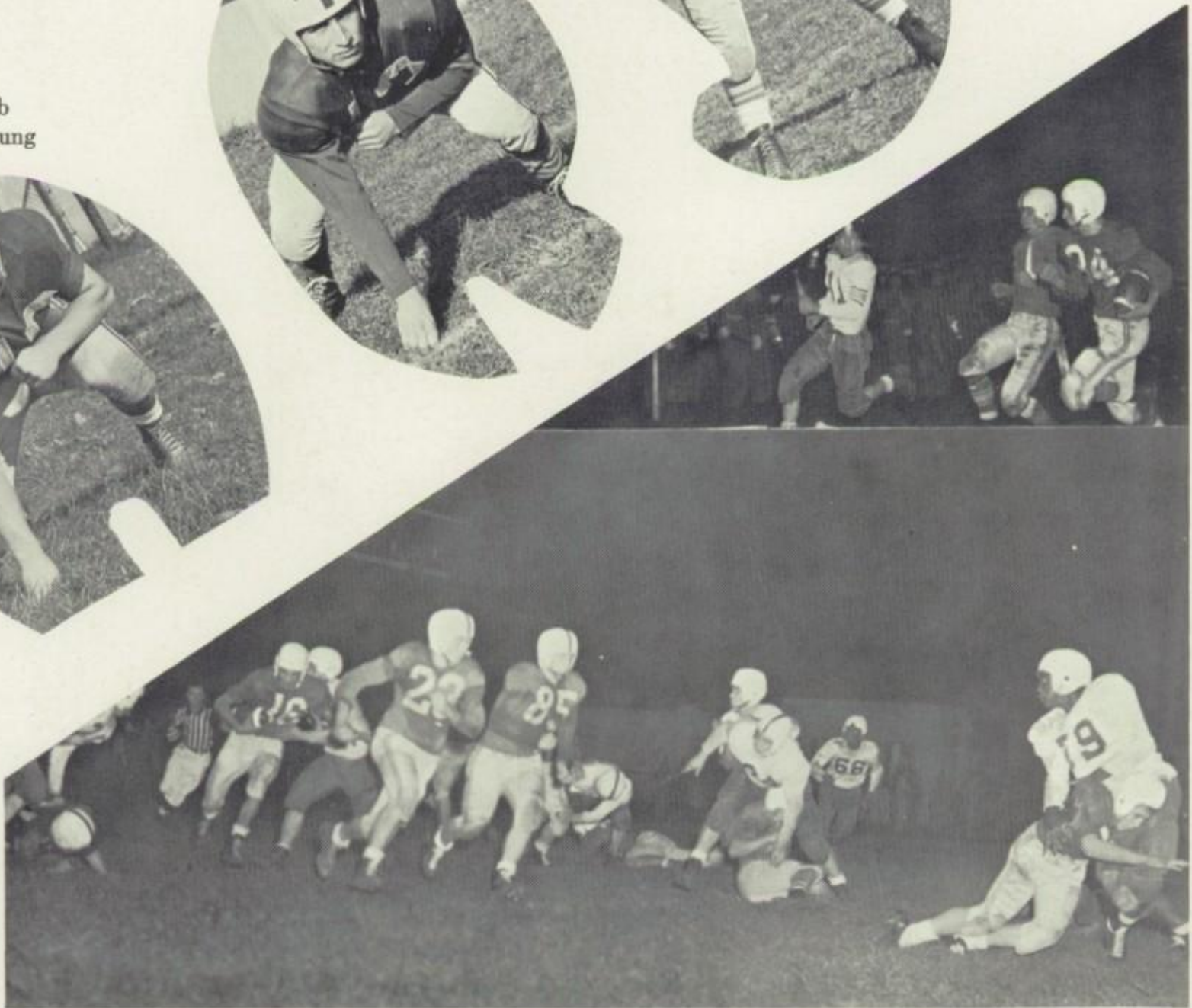
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John  
Alvarado



Bob  
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Jim  
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Jim  
Jordan



Tom  
Harden



Dan  
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Ronnie  
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Jim  
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Edwards



Jim  
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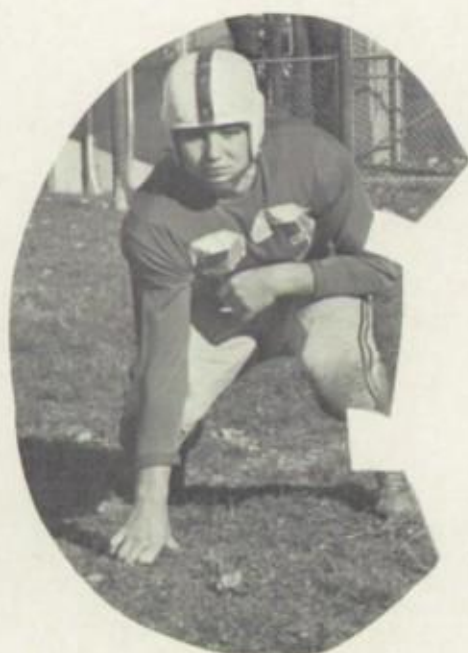
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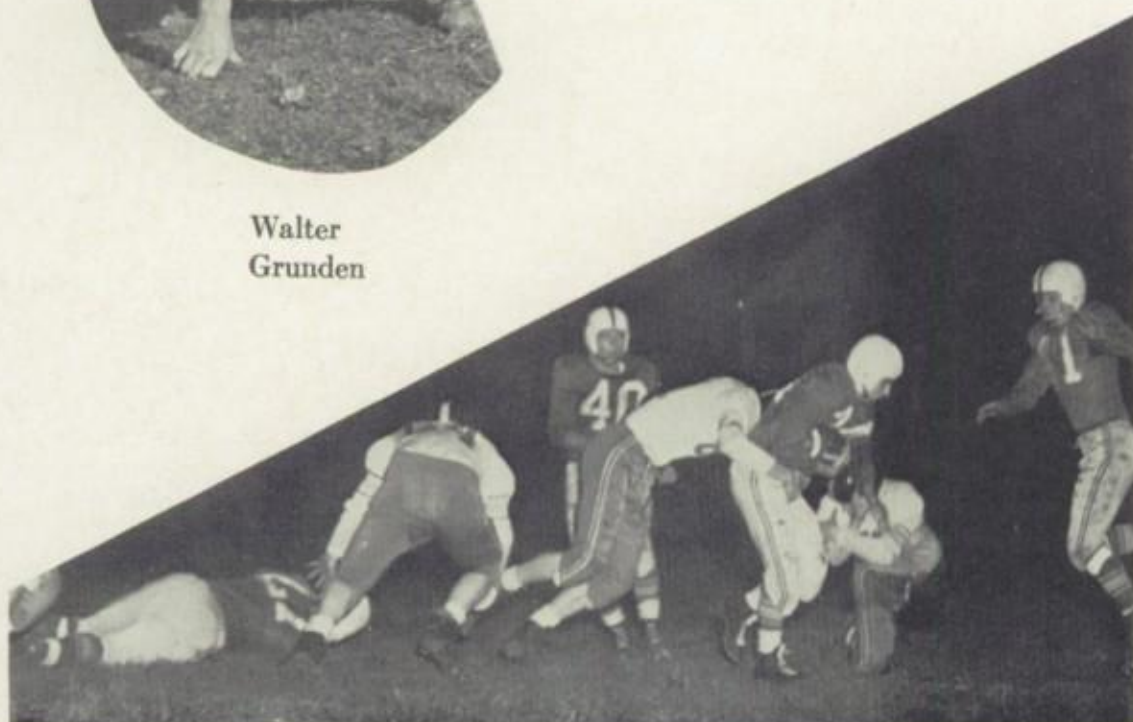
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Harold  
Haight



Walter  
Grunden







*Row One:* Bill Sherman and Bill Fowler, Student managers. *Row Two:* Art Good, Walter Grunden, Bob Keith, Howard Fellers, Jerry Busch, Danny Gorman, Jim Jordan, Ron Bagley, Larry Butler, Tom Hardin, Jim Dilbone, Marvin Mihm, Jim Gilliland, Bob Young, Coach Otis Coon. *Row Three:* Coach Gilbert Smith, George White, Harold Haight, Ronny Dierks, Ronny Miller, Jess Cooper, Larry Feeney, Jim Jones, Larry Smith, Bill Winters, Paul Schwinnen, Ronnie Brenneman, Jim O'Mara, Jim Geisman, Ron Dilbone, Jim Mager, Coach Nick Klutka. *Row Four:* Larry Johnson, Dick O'Mara, Jerry Nills, Danny Butler, John Edwards, David Allen, David Gamble, Joe Agler, Larry Bowersock, David Stittsworth, Larry Mills, Jack White, Fred Sargent, Don Black, Jim Imler.



Coach Otis Coon, Coach Gilbert Smith, Coach Nicholas Klutka.







Ron  
Dillmore



Kim  
Jordan



Ron  
Hubley



Bob  
Young



Devon  
Bricker



Don  
Good

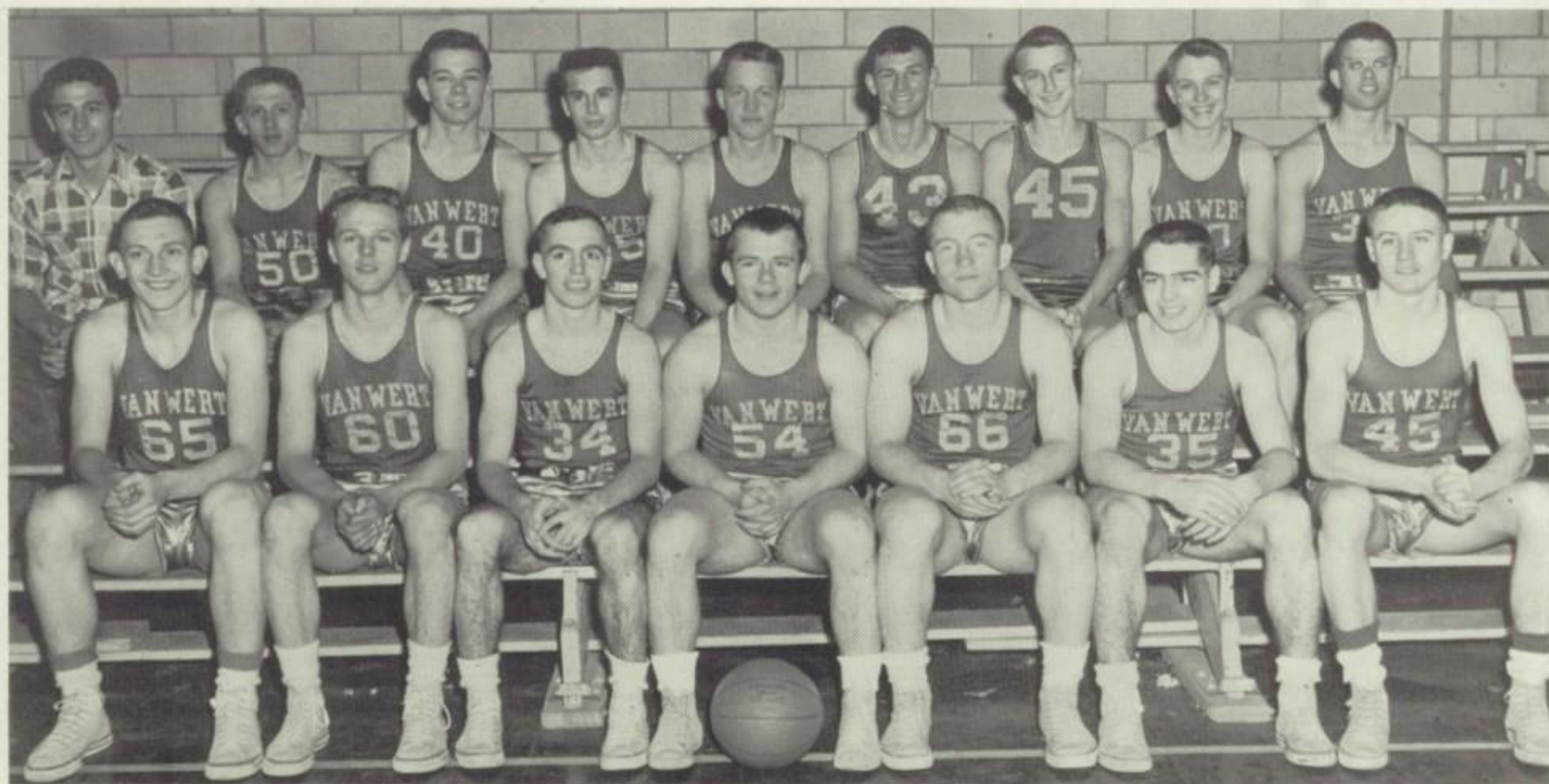


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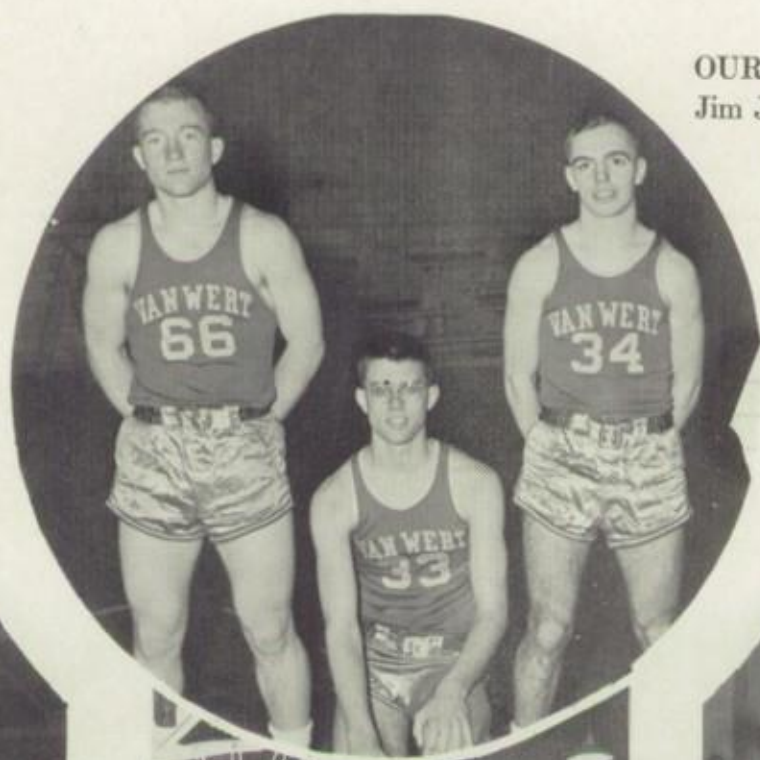
Bill  
Emrick





*Top Row:* Harry Kouts, Ron Dierks, Don Good, Tom Harden, Larry Winhover, Paul Schwinnen, Jim Smith, Dave Gamble, Ron Bagley. *Bottom Row:* Larry Smith, Bill Emrick, Ron Dilbone, Bob Young, Jim Jordan, Jim Dilbone, Devon Bricker.

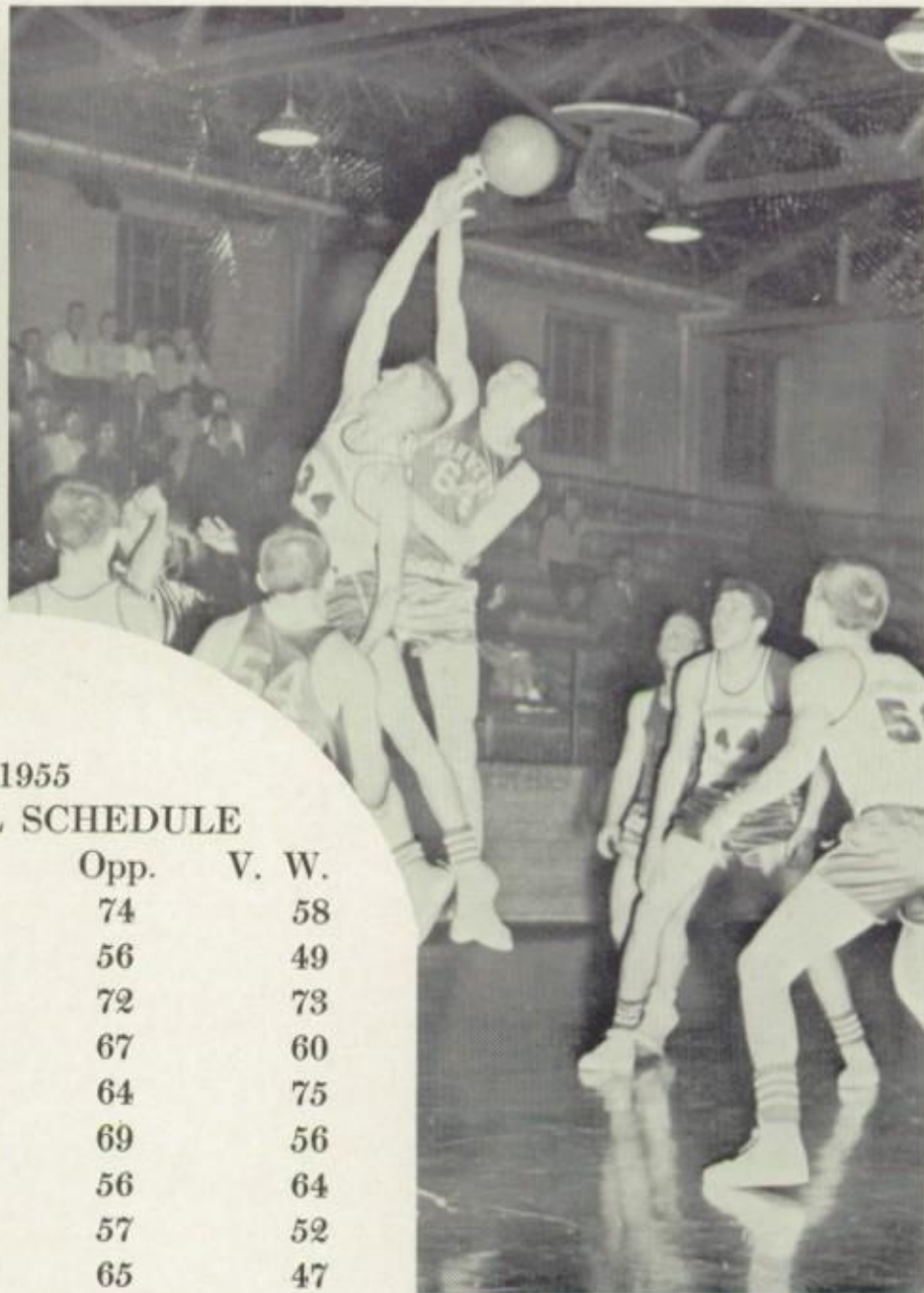
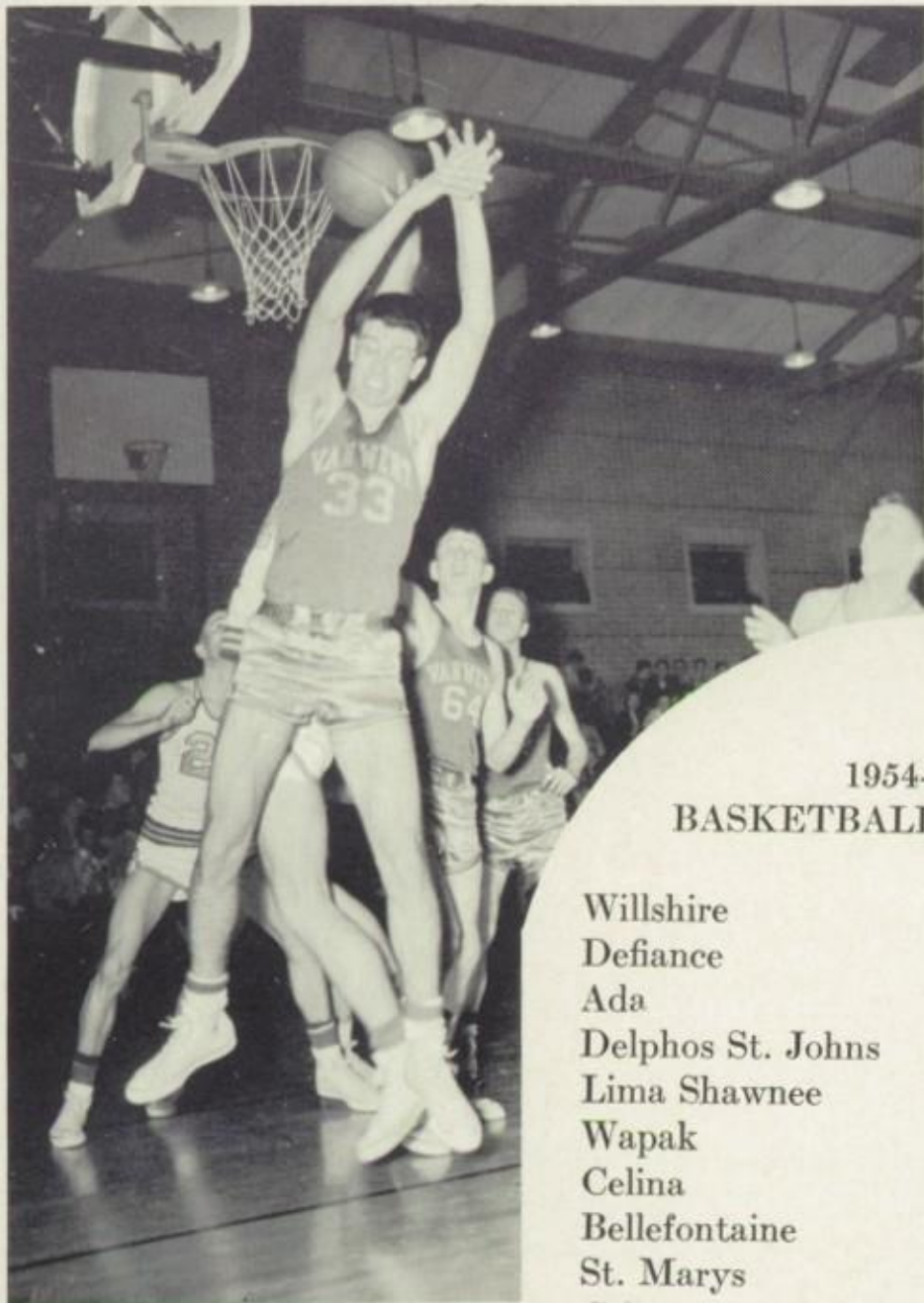
**OUR SENIOR LETTERMEN**  
Jim Jordan, Ron Bagley, Ron Dilbone.



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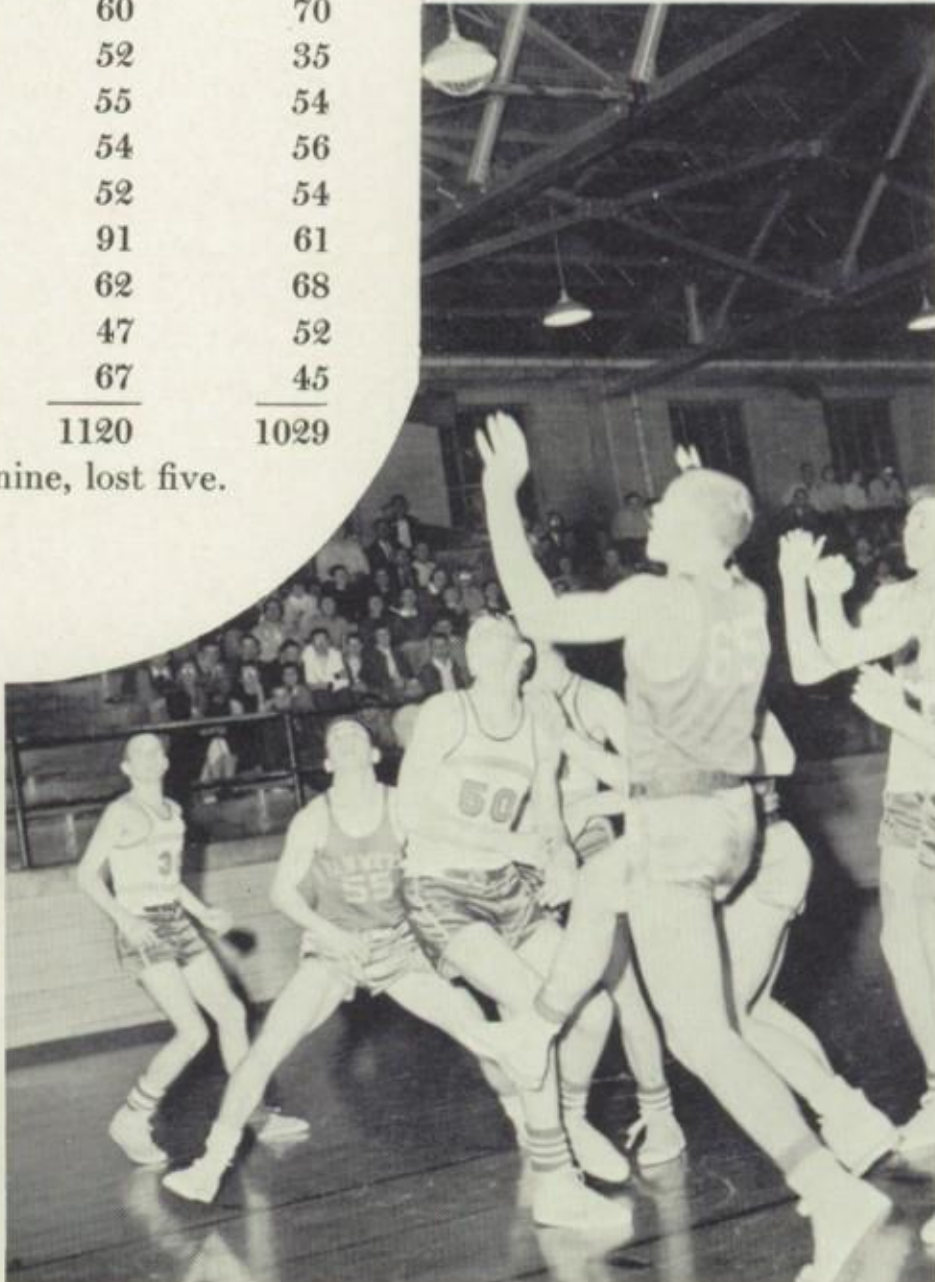
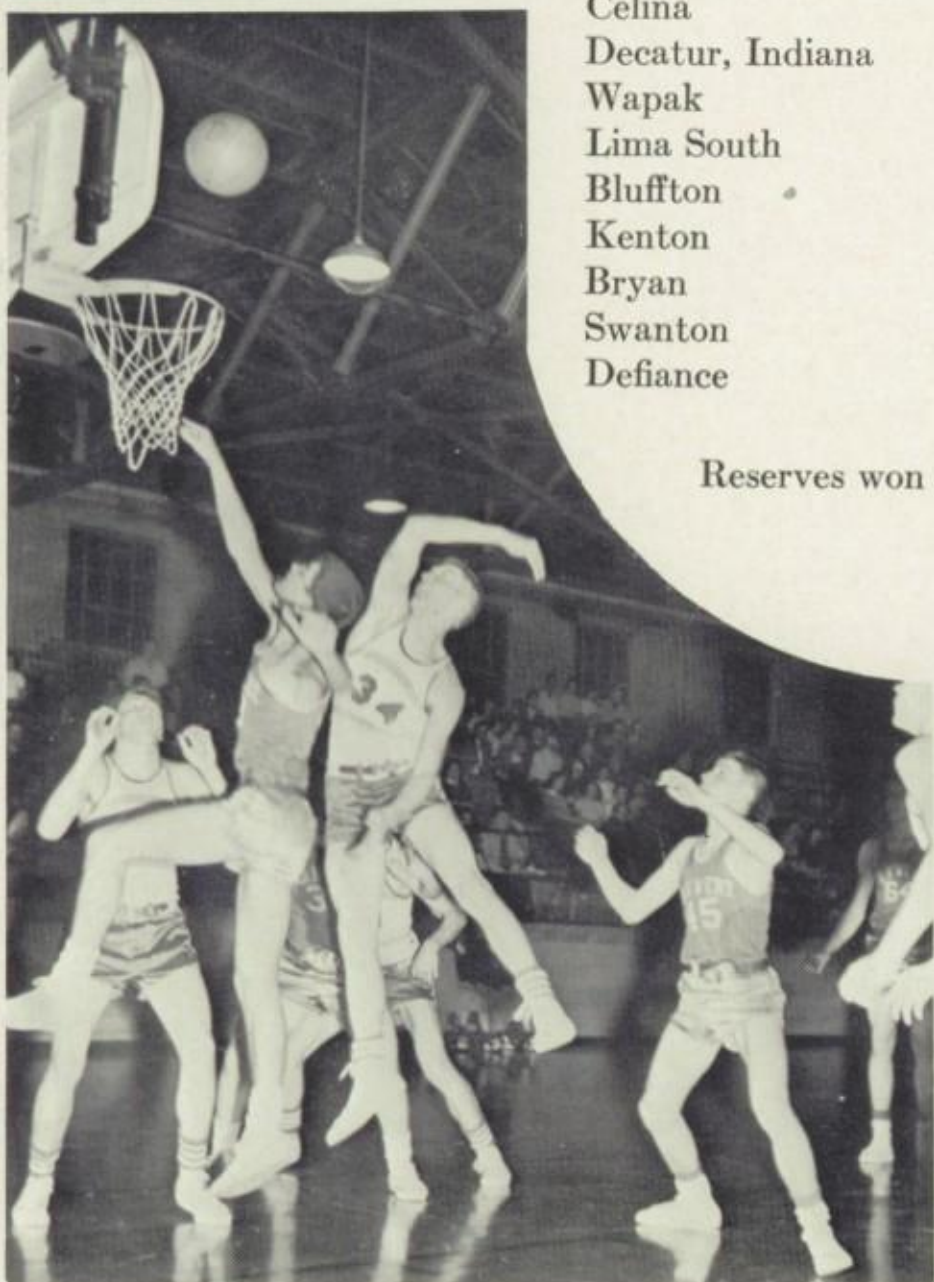




1954-1955  
BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

	Opp.	V. W.
Willshire	74	58
Defiance	56	49
Ada	72	73
Delphos St. Johns	67	60
Lima Shawnee	64	75
Wapak	69	56
Celina	56	64
Bellefontaine	57	52
St. Marys	65	47
Celina	60	70
Decatur, Indiana	52	35
Wapak	55	54
Lima South	54	56
Bluffton	52	54
Kenton	91	61
Bryan	62	68
Swanton	47	52
Defiance	67	45
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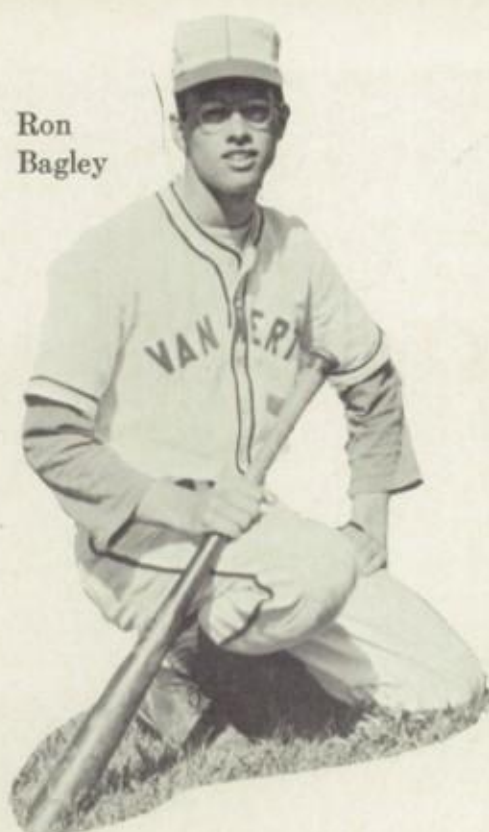
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Busch



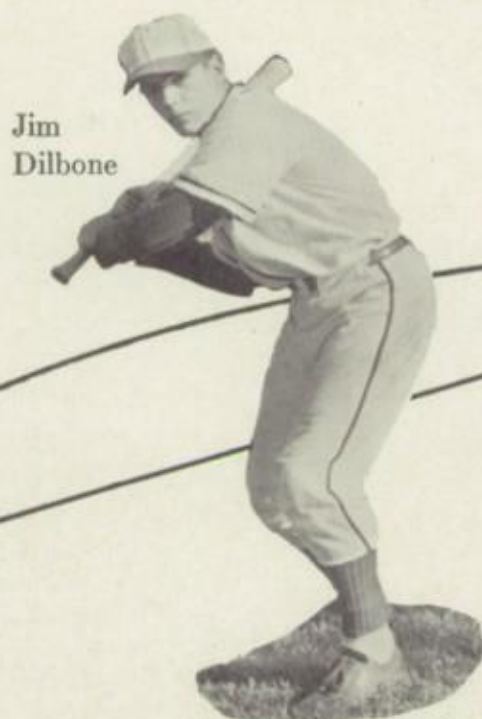
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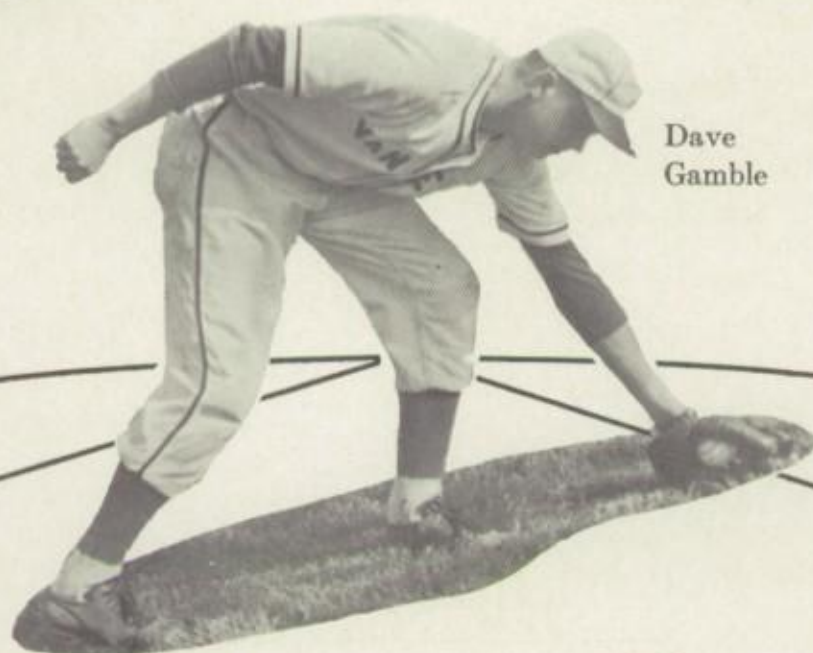
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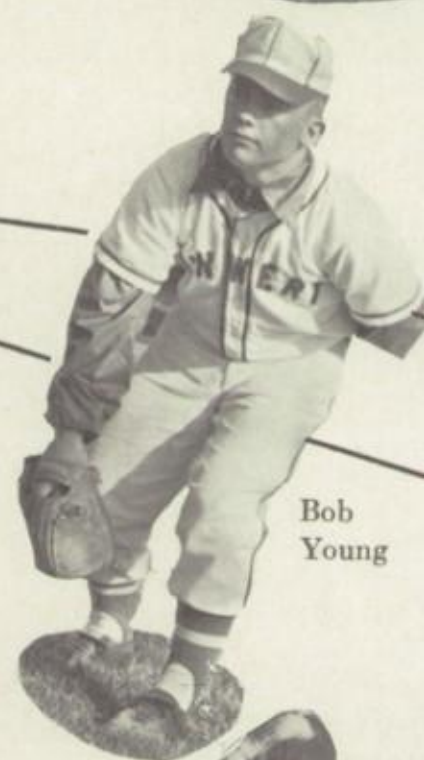
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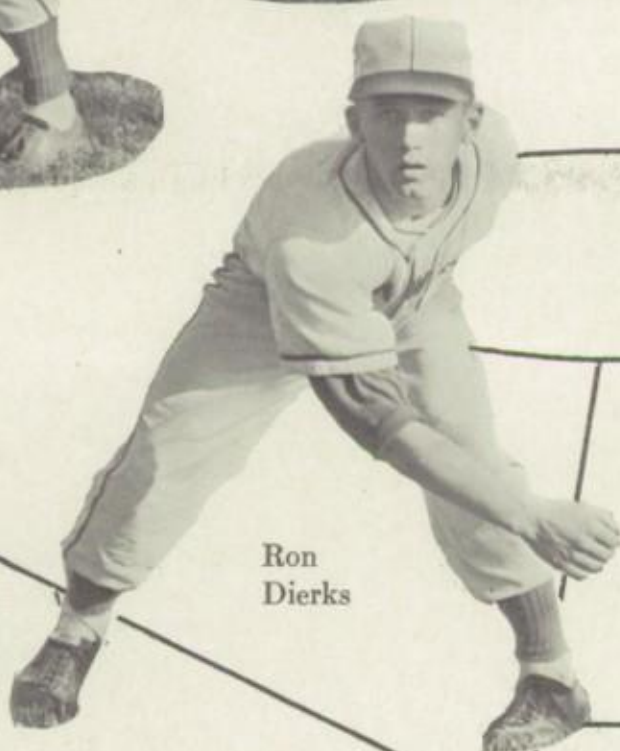
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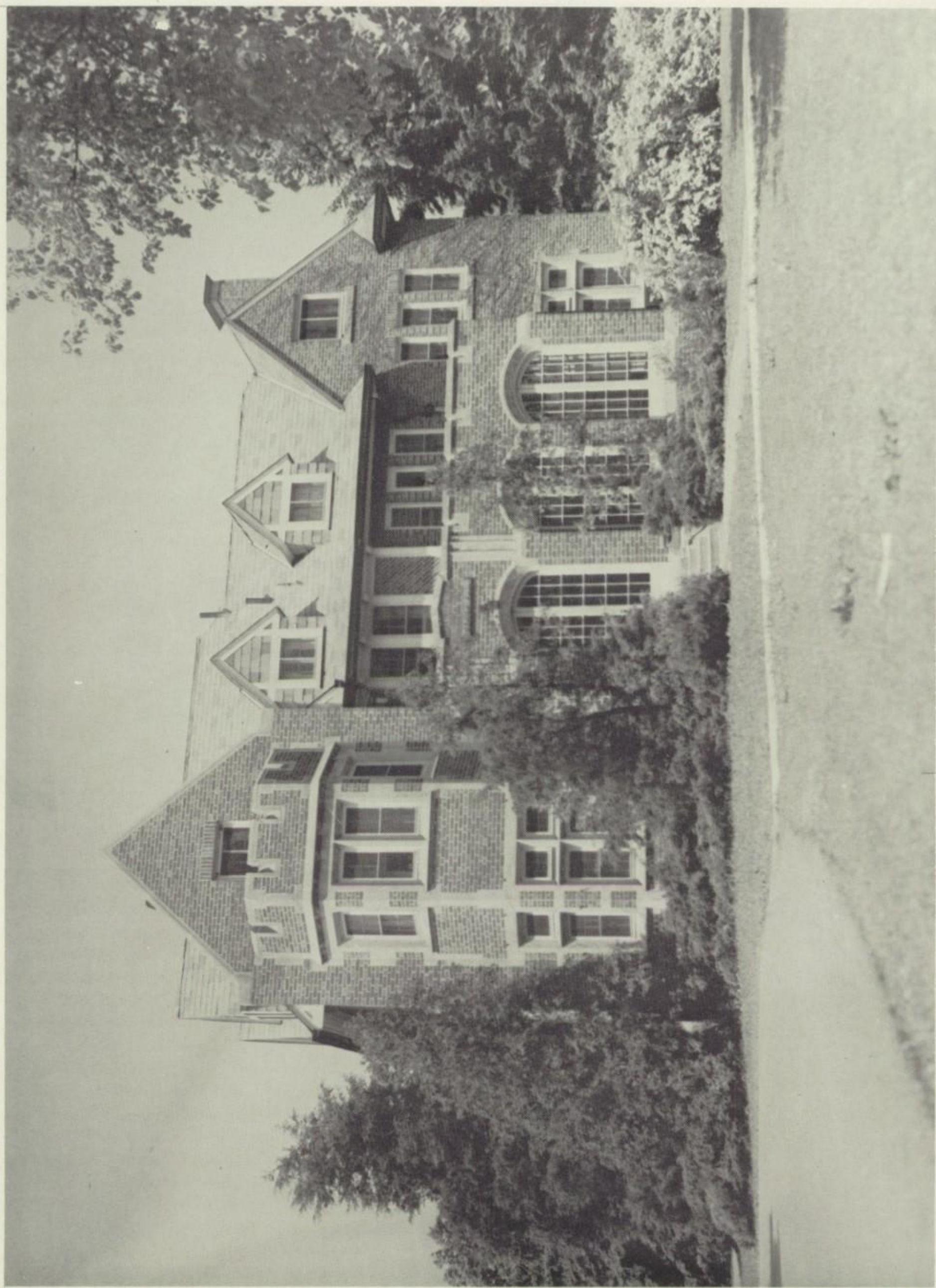
*Standing:* Howard Shaw, Ron Dilbone, Gary Stoller, Coach Cline, Ron Dierks, Gene Witherow, Don Black, Jim Imler. *Sitting:* Jim Dilbone, Dave Boroff, Dave Gamble, Larry Smith, Jim Jordan, Bob Young.



Coach Clarence Cline







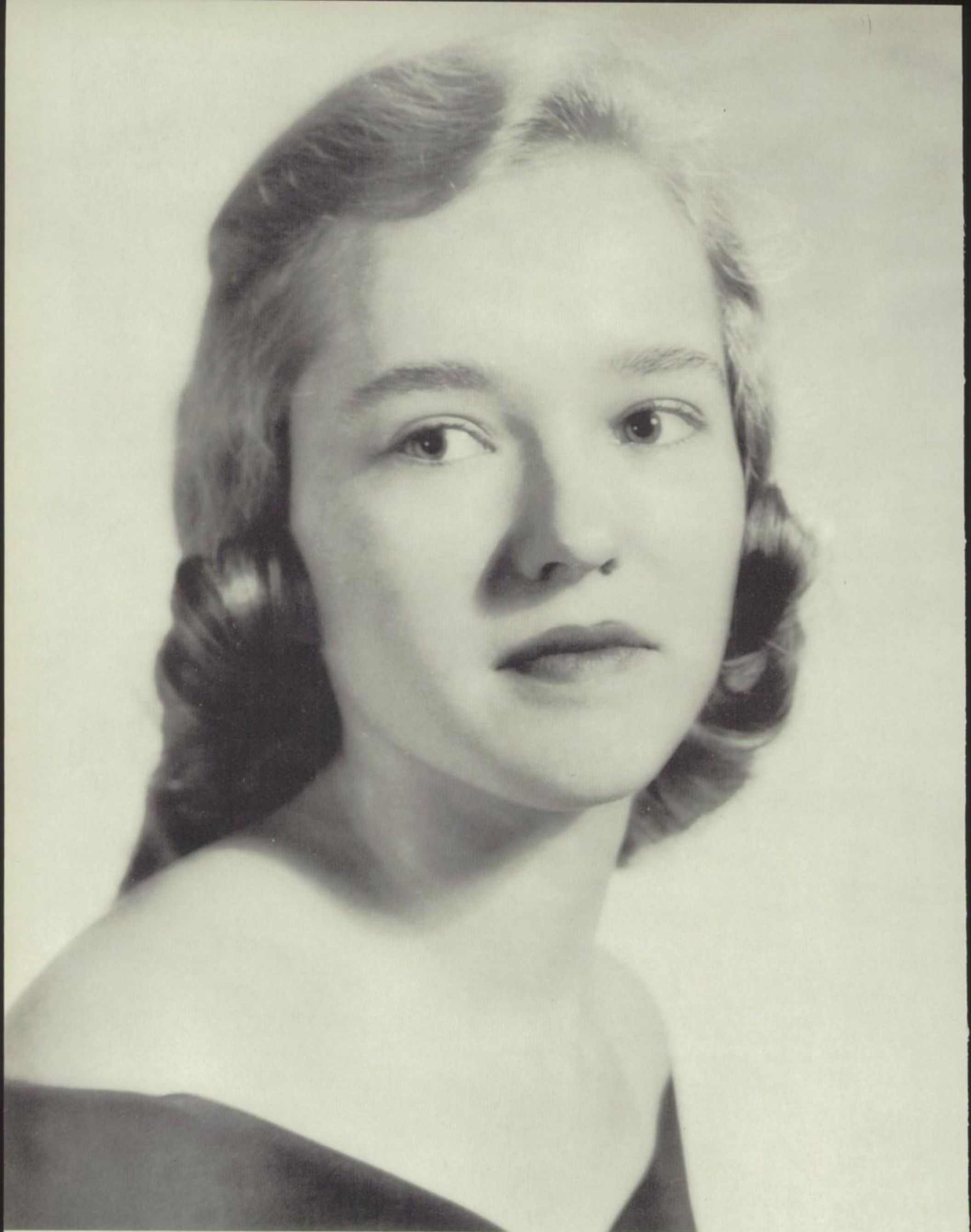




# Activities







MISS CAROL EGGERSS

1954 HOMECOMING QUEEN





## SNOW BALL







ON THE CAP  
WASHINGTON, D.C.





OHIO  
THE WORLD

VAN WERT  
HIGH SCHOOL  
BAND



STEPS  
MARCH, 1955

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## PROGRAMME

### DOWN SOUTH

Banjo Number

Set Down Servant ..... spiritual, arr. by Shaw  
Jerry Busch, soloist

Kentucky Babe ..... Geibel

Water Boy ..... arr. by Anderson  
Bill Pontius, soloist

Summertime ..... Gershwin

Banjo Number

### MINSTREL SCENE

Are You From Dixie ..... Cobb

Swanee ..... Gershwin  
Larry Lehman, soloist

Come On Down South ..... Myddleton

Jess Cooper, Ronnie Krick, Harold Haight, Ned  
Runnion, Art Good, Richard Mason, Dick Mazok

### NEGRO CAMP MEETING

Everytime I Feel the Spirit

I'm a Rolling

Steal Away

Roll On

Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen

Frank Gilland, Anita Tanner, Shirley Dustman,  
Rachel Morris, Margaret Jerome, Dave Stits-  
worth, Diane Roth, Martha Dunno, Arnel Fast

Piano - Helen Shaw

Lighting - Roger M

Scene Designs - Linda Longwell and Glenn Hudson

Commercial Black Light Work - Rollite Co., Canton, Ohio

Scene Painting - Bob Blank, Dick Mason, Virginia Miller, Linda  
Bob Sherman, Ann Feeney, Glenn Hudson, Charlene Halliwell,  
Williams, Rita Osenbaugh, Jerry Miracle, Janet McNeil, Ern  
Caldwell, Jim West, Barbara Huffine, Jim Goins, Joe Allen,





## OUT WEST WESTERN FUN

I'm An Old Cow Hand ..... Mercer, arr. by Wilson  
 Life Upon the Wicked Stage ..... Kern  
 Nancy Dustman, soloist - Janice Brown, Linda  
 Bagley, Linda White, Carol Eggerss  
 Happy Wanderer ..... Moller, arr. by Ades  
 Jim Jones, Larry Ley, Gary Cobb, J. Noble  
 Prichard, John Merkle, Ronnie Williams  
 I'm An Old Cow Hand

## WESTERN NIGHT SCENE

Cowboy's Meditation ..... Cowboy Song  
 On Top of Old Smoky ..... Mountain song,  
 arr. by Churchill  
 I Got Spurs ..... Lilley  
 Wagon Wheels ..... de Rose  
 Cool Water ..... Nolan, arr. by Wilson  
 Roll On

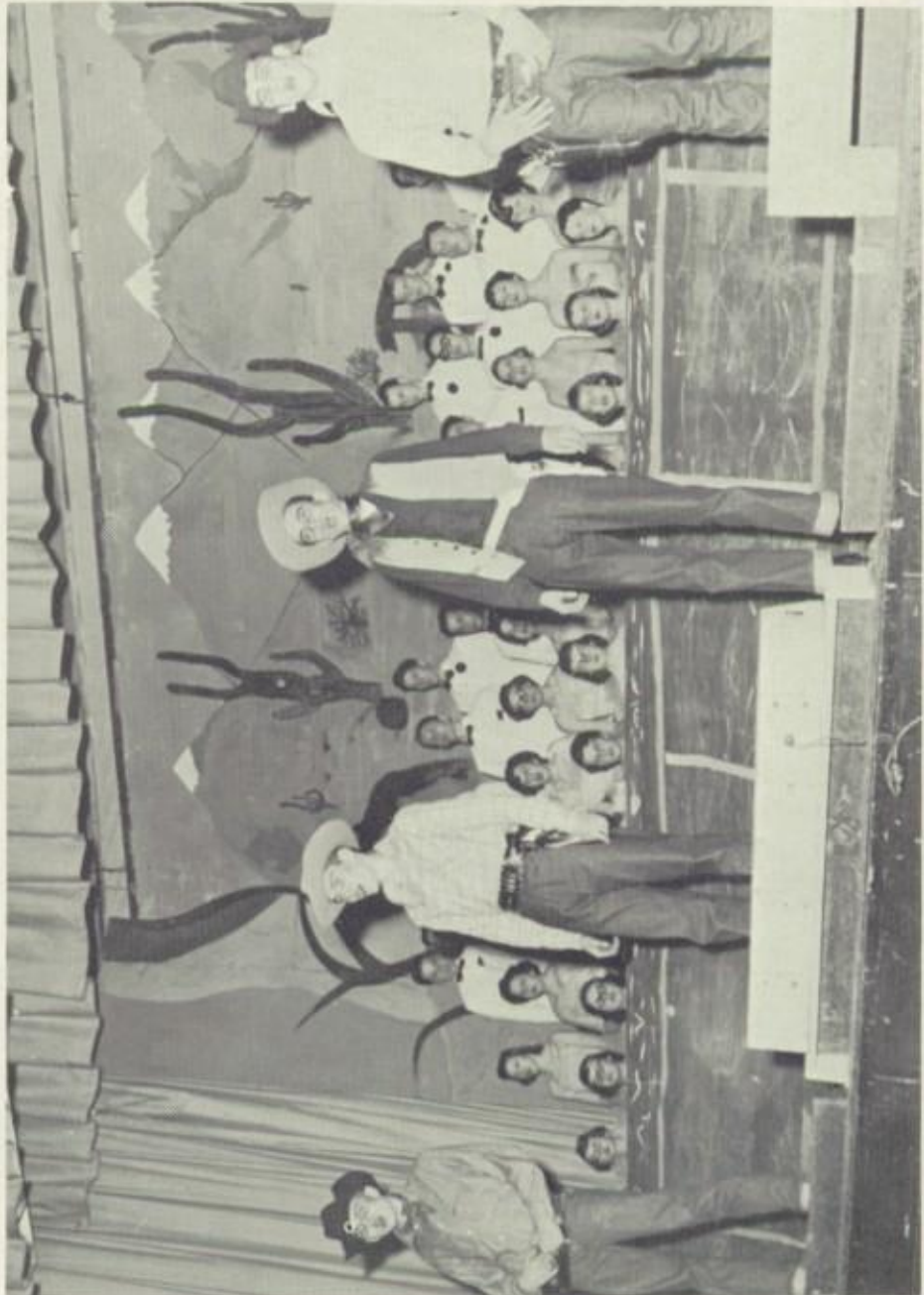
## IN GOD'S HOUSE

Voice of Freedom ..... adapted from Rubenstein's  
 "Kammenoi-Ostrow," arr. by Cailliet  
 Sanctus ..... Gounod  
 No Man Is An Island ..... Whitney & Kramer  
 arr. by Ringwald  
 I Believe ..... Stillman, arr. by Ades  
 God Be With You ..... Tomer  
 (All the above numbers except the Sanctus are sung  
 by the combined Freshman and A Cappella choirs)

Terry Devine                      Program - Linda Longwell  
    Make-Up - Clyde Coon & Speech Class  
    Organ - Courtesy Harden Music Store

ll, Bill Kesler, Larry Roth, Dennis Schaffner, Carol Evans,  
 McCannon, Joyce Williams, Jim Lane, Jim Fowler, Ronnie  
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# VOCAL VARIETIES





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A Cappella



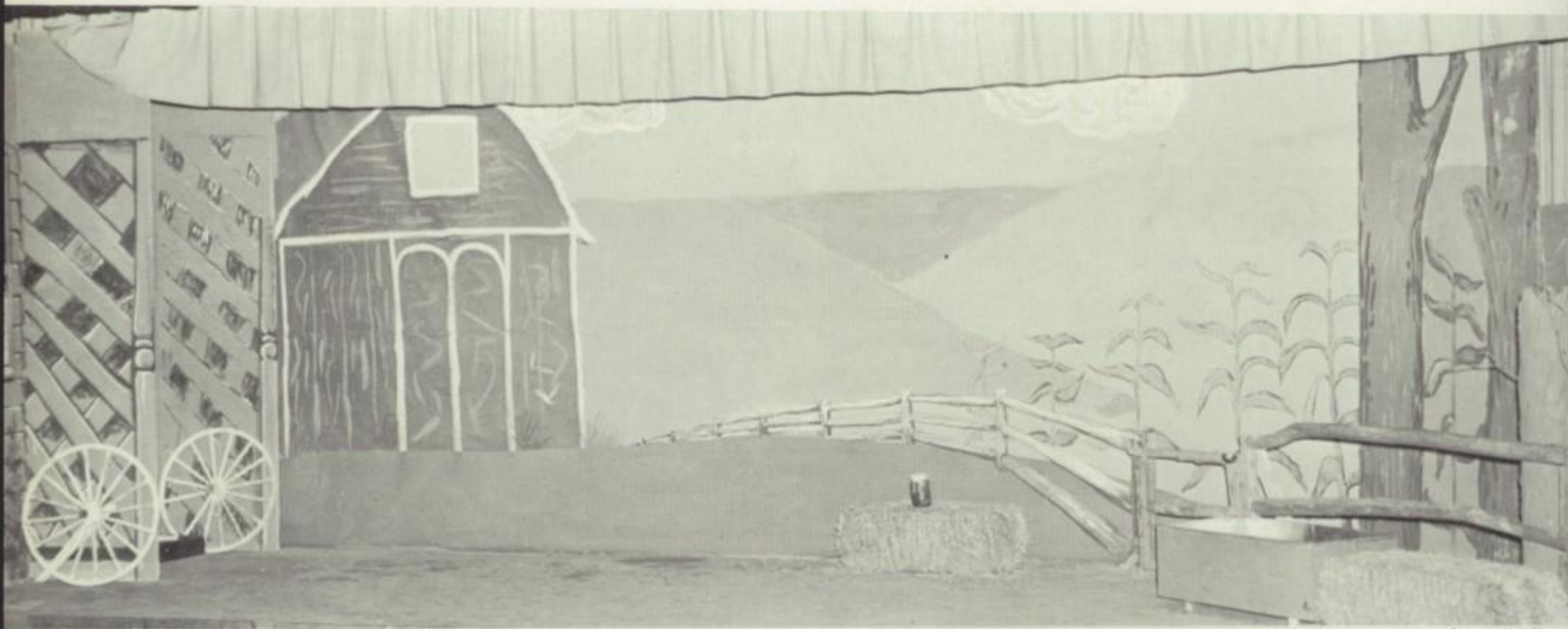
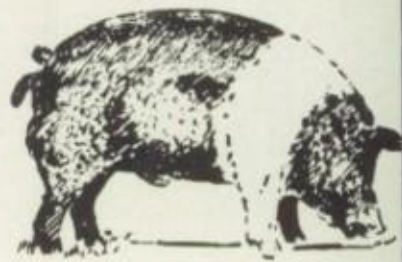
# High School



## Choir



# State Fair



MIKE TENT



WON-205

ART HALL

WIN A PRIZE!

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GRANGE HALL

HOG BARN

### THE CAST

*The Storekeeper*—Eldon Akerman

*Able Frake*—Bob Keith

*Melissa Frake*—Linda White

*Wayne Frake*—Gary Stoller

*Margy Frake*—Nancy Dustman

*Harry Ware*—Ronny Bagley

*Emily Mason*—Nancy Harruff

*Pat Gilbert*—Danny Gorman

*Mrs. Rallins*—Marilyn Spridgeon

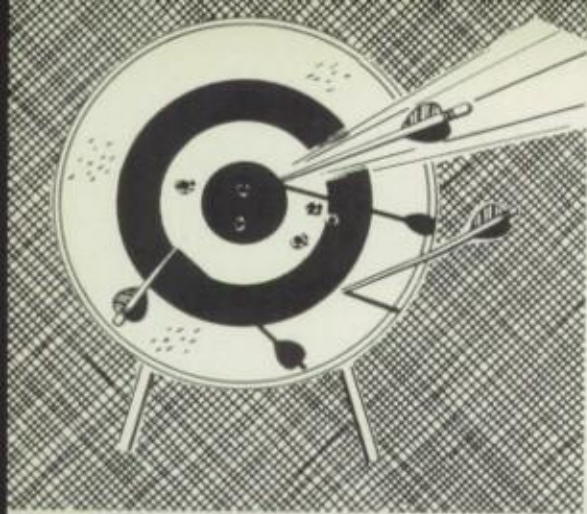
—Janice Brown

*Oswalt*—Jim Jordan

*Gertrude*—Shirley Riley







# Annie Get Your Gun

We the class of '55 want to take this time to thank the Junior class for a very entertaining evening last November when they presented "Annie Get Your Gun."



## THE CAST

<i>Little Girl</i>	Rachel Morris
<i>Charlie Davenport</i>	Vern Laing
<i>Mac</i>	Gary Cobb
<i>Foster Wilson</i>	Ray Tinnel
<i>Dolly Tate</i>	Anita Tanner
<i>Winnie Tate</i>	Shirley Dustman
<i>Tommy</i>	Larry Lehman
<i>Frank Butler</i>	Jerry Gribler
<i>Mary</i>	

Virginia Miller and Sue Williman

*Jane*

Linda Kirchenbauer and Lynnda Leary

*Annie Oakley*

Lynne Eikenbary

*Little Jake*

Richard Mazock

*Jessie*

Rita Brown

*Minnie*

Linda Bagley

*Buffalo Bill*

Frank Gilland

*Pawnee Bill*

Devon Bricker and Bob Exline

*Sitting Bull*

Tom Giessler

*Mrs. Sylvia Porter*

Sue Farlow and Mary Mohler

*Mrs. Schuyler Adams*

Karen Katterheinrich and Mary Brooks

*George and Conductor*

Bill Kelly

*Squaws*

Peg Wable, Linda Longwell,

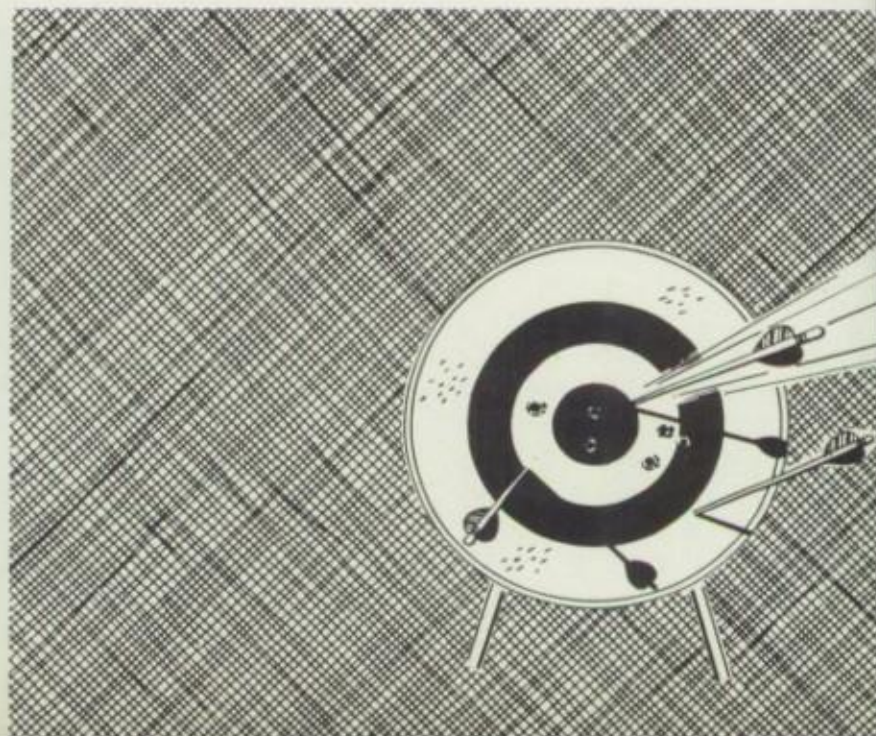
Shiela Hallam, Joyce Williams

*Lights*

Bob Young

*Sound effects*

Tom Harden









# One Act Plays

## THE CAST

THE ROSE GARDEN Comedy by Frank Stagey  
 LOVE SONG Drama by William DeLisle  
 QUIET PLEASE Comedy by Howard Buermann  
 LOST VICTORY Drama by North Baker

## AWARDS

*Best Actor* Danny Gorman  
*Best Actress* Lynne Eikenbary  
*Best Play* Love Song







Eloise Doner  
*1st place Voice of Democracy Contest*



Lynne Eikenbary  
*"By the Color of Skin" Original Oratory*  
*1st place District Speech Contest*  
*4th place State Speech Contest*

## FORENSIC



Nancy Dustman  
*"Joan of Lorraine" Dramatic Division*  
*1st place District Speech Contest*  
*1st place State Speech Contest*

## TEAM



Anita Tanner  
*"A Piece of Cloth" Original Oratory*  
*3rd place District Speech Contest*



Linda White  
*"Riders to the Sea" Dramatic Division*  
*2nd place District Speech Contest*



# Y - T E E N S



*Row One:* C. Scott, N. Cowan, D. Weck, D. Weck, Mrs. Burkam. *Row Two:* J. Rawlings, J. Donahue, S. Coombs, J. Harden, L. Whitcraft, S. Ramsey, C. Grindahl, J. Bennett, N. Tinker, M. Geisman. *Row Three:* J. Beall, C. Webster, S. Thompson, J. Runnion, J. Bell, B. Sheets, S. Tickle, J. Runnion, D. Nighswander, J. Myers, S. Makuh, J. Johnson, J. Johnson. *Row Four:* N. Williman, M. Hartman, B. Goodwin, R. Green, P. Zinsmaster, J. Tope, C. Williams, R. Lane, J. Anderson, D. Donley, D. Vetter, B. Smitley, S. Sheldon, S. Scott, C. Steele. *Row Five:* D. Laing, M. Ross, C. Hartge, M. Lewis, P. Brown, P. Holtschult, E. Hoffman, B. Merkle, S. Willett, B. Hirn, B. Germann, D. Ashbaugh, B. Ditto, M. August, P. Perry, L. Feasby, N. Kohn. *Row Six:* N. Raabe, L. Hoffman, J. Sterrett, C. Rhodenbaugh, J. Morris, J. Hoghe, L. Poling, E. Stevens, A. Hartge, K. Sowers, P. Alvarado, C. Blackmore, B. Baker, M. Ainsworth, L. Stemen. *Row Seven:* M. Blake, O. Clouse, C. Hesher, D. Folck, K. Waymire, J. Feasby, J. Beall, J. Dias, B. Weeks, C. Wiseman, L. Allen, T. Dustman. *Row Eight:* J. Hoover, H. Rhodenbaugh, M. Merkle, M. Kohn, N. Gipe, S. Feasby, L. Rogers, H. Mericle.



# Y - T E E N S



# S

*Row One:* K. Katterheinrich, S. Riley, M. Denig, A. Tanner. *Row Two:* Miss Lown, J. Williams, C. Eggerss, L. Eikenberry, S. Hallam, M. Weck, M. Marquis, I. Brenneman, S. Harting, E. Doner. *Row Three:* L. Spitler, J. McCammon, D. Copeland, E. Crow, J. Cowgill, M. Ireton, M. Geisman, M. Bell, B. Runser, M. Agler, J. Dickinson. *Row Four:* M. Wells, M. Brooks, A. Bell, J. Gallespie, P. Gribler, B. Blake, J. Welker, L. Kirchenbauer, L. Bagley, R. Morris, S. Farlow, P. Wable. *Row Five:* C. Hilton, D. Johnson, N. Waymire, B. Smith, L. White, N. Harruff, M. Spridgeon, N. Dustman, E. Prishey, B. Kesler, B. Miller. *Row Six:* E. Mericle, S. Williman, L. Leary, P. Boroff, M. Putman, P. Williamson, D. Block. *Row Seven:* J. Hipsley, E. Price, J. Beck, S. Dustman.



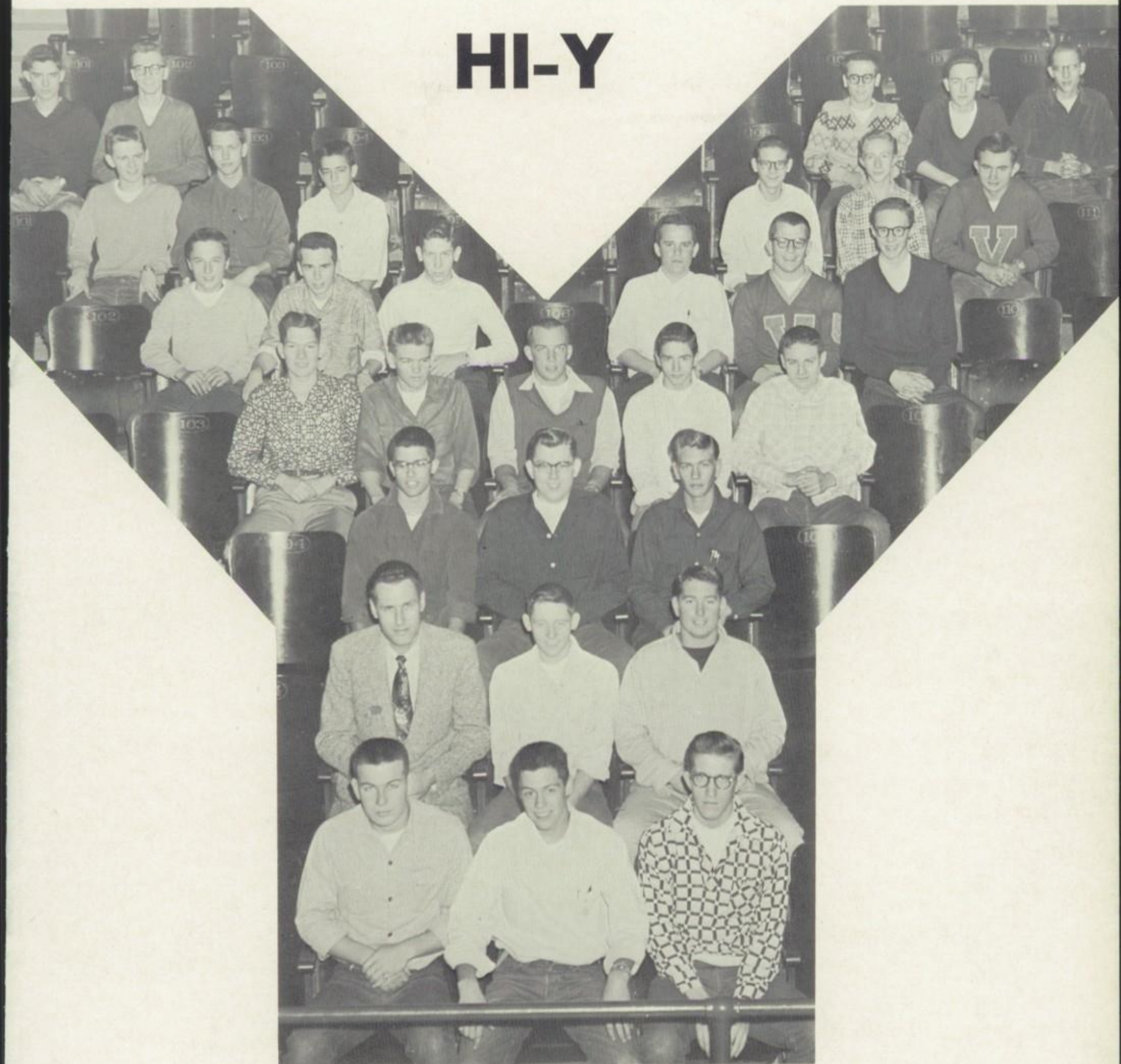
# F. F. A.



*Row One:* D. Nighswander, T. Geissler, R. Brenneman, P. Sargent, D. Gorman, E. Grunden, H. Fellers, R. Unterbrink, J. Gilliland. *Row Two:* B. Kreischer, G. Slane, B. Gallaway, H. Haight, B. Winters, L. DuCheney, L. Kreischer, A. Good, J. Wiseman, D. Saam, J. Merkle, H. Kouts, W. Grunden. *Row Three:* L. Agler, D. Heffner, L. DuVall, F. Sargent, T. Hook, R. Shaffer, R. Clayton, G. Brenneman, D. Galloway, D. Niles.



# HI-Y



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J. Beck, M. Brooks. Row Three: A.

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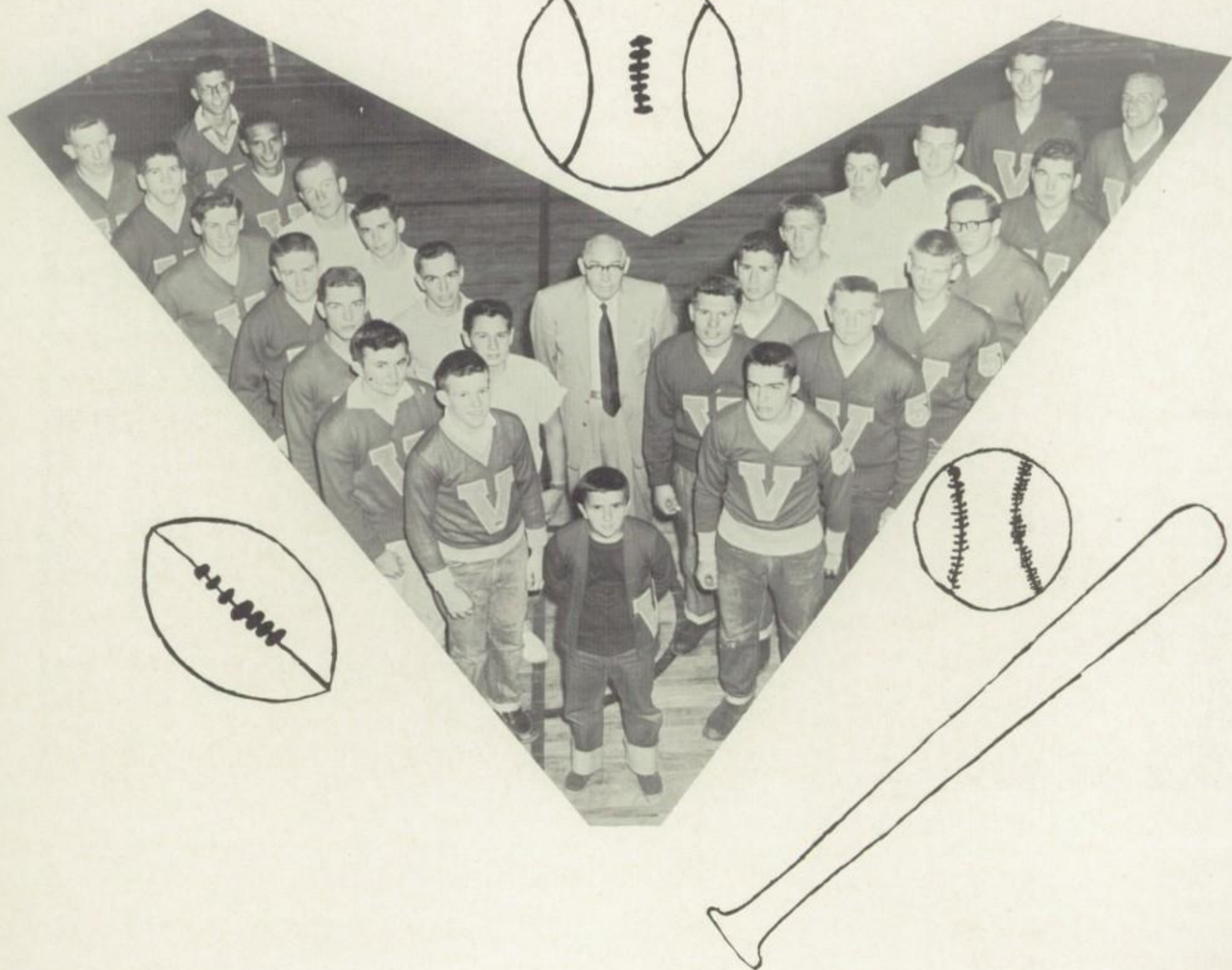
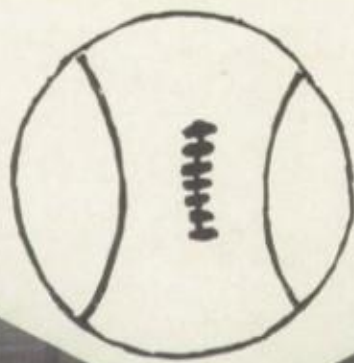




F. T. A., under the advisorship of Mr. Ralph Gallapoo, is an organization for those who are preparing to be teachers. This organization is designed to give students a better insight on teaching. The group visited Bowling Green State U. as their main trip. They heard such speakers as Miss Constance Matleson, representative of National College of Education at Evanston, Illinois and Superintendent of County Schools, R. G. Brand. Several members did a short time of practice teaching.

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VAN WERT HIGH SCHOOL, VAN WERT

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## Day At School

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s something about poetry. All...  
s love poetry anyway. When is...  
t bell going to ring?  
No Man Is An Island," you'll...  
er guess where we are now!  
se boys in the back row really...  
it up, until Mr. Jones sees...  
m, that is. Oh dear, I'll never...  
able to stand it. I'm so hungry...  
st know I'll faint from lack of...  
rgy. I wonder what Mom will...  
for lunch?  
ince I'm full of food and in...  
dy hall, there's only one thing...  
do, sleep! Now, if I act like I'm...  
dying, maybe Mr. Rauch won't...  
me. I just can't keep my eyes...  
n another minute-e-e-e. Bop!  
Rauch has better eyes than I...  
ught he had. Oh well, I guess...  
just have to get to bed earlier...  
Will the girls in the back row...  
ase be a little quieter?" Is what...  
hear coming from this room...  
pe the kids like the paper this...  
r. We're trying real hard to...  
ke it better and better all the...  
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If you wander by room 101, don't...  
nk we're in our second childhood...  
ause we aren't. We're just cut...  
out tid-bits of information on...  
ernment affairs. We just love...  
give special reports. Who drop...  
the candy lid? Those boys are...  
noisy. Why doesn't the bell ring...  
3:40? I'm sleepy again!  
or five days a week this rat...  
e goes on. Will it never end?

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ppreciation of thanks is given...  
the members of the Usherette...  
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ual "Vocal Varieties."

## Bellis Talks

Mr. Harry Be...  
from Van Wert...  
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tatives talked to members of the...  
American Government classes on...  
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## Advice to F

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fun and still be a well-liked girl...  
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By the way, it was Betty's bir...  
day. She was 17 years old.

## EDITORS

## EXCALIBUR STAFF

you know it could only be Bob...  
Exline. Bob goes for post cards in...  
a big way. Although he has been...  
collecting cards for only two years...  
he has almost 500 now. Bob has...  
cards from all over the United...  
States, and from Canada, Mexico...  
and Italy. He acquires most of...  
these post cards through his friends...  
but he buys a few of them. He...  
has scenery pictures, pictures of...  
the White House, and the Smith...  
sonian Institute, to name just a...  
few. If anyone has any unusual...  
post cards laying around why not...  
give them to Bob?

If you ever visit Marcia Gies...  
man's house, you will probably...  
hear a record by the Hilltoppers...  
blasting away. Marcia's hobby is...  
collecting all kinds of records but...  
she prefers the Hilltoppers record...  
of "Till Then." Marcia has about...  
50 records in all.

Do you have ar...  
Let us now abo...

us day, Contest, Christmas and...  
Easter programs for the commun...  
ity, and Vocal Varieties, which is...  
certainly the most important choir...  
event of the year. There are also...  
ensembles which entertain many...  
clubs and meetings throughout the...  
year.

Most people, especially the ones...  
who know nothing about choir...  
think we wear ourselves out prac...  
ticing. This is not true because we...  
love every minute of it. The true...  
value we gain is not just in partici...  
pation. It is in learning to do a...  
job the very best we can, and this...  
creates a dislike of doing anything...  
half-way. This is one of the great...  
est educational values we could...  
ever expect to achieve. We enjoy...  
the things we d... we are one...  
of the happier groups in th... organized

unique.  
A brief review of this deligh...  
performance begins with gay s...  
of the Old South, some of w...  
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"Come On Down South." This...  
of the program also included t...  
Negro spirituals which were a...  
definite part of the early So...  
"Every Time I Feel the Spi...  
"Steal Away," and "Nob...  
Knows the Trouble I've Seen."

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songs were "Cowboy's Meditati...  
"I Got Spurs," "I'm An Old C...  
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processed down the aisle carry...  
candles and singing the beau...  
"Voice of Freedom." Then bea...  
fully done came "Sanctus" f...  
St. Cecelia's Mass, showing...  
choir's real ability as it was s...  
in Latin. The freshman cho...  
and the A Cappella choir combi...  
to form a human cross and add...  
finishing touch to a marve...  
program, singing, "No Man is...  
Island," and "I Believe."

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## EXCALIBUR REVEALS PLANS

### Contest

Van Wert County Medical and Van Wert County Medical Auxiliary are co-operating in an essay contest available to Van Wert County high school students. Sons and daughters of students may not compete. Prizes of \$25, \$15, and \$10 are given for the best three essays. Prize winning essays will be entered in the State contest. State winners will receive 6 national awards worth \$1000.

All packaged libraries, "The Advantages of Medical Care" and in your school preparation of your instructor's preparatory will not participate. county to you February

### You

Congratulations C. E. for being elected by faculty members as one of the month. Your hard work with the Excalibur, your spirit, cheers at the basketball games, your ability and fair play in G.A.A.'s basketball games finally, your steady improvement scholastically,—these have won you the honor as an outstanding student and person.

M., your wonderful attitude at school, your improved grades, and the tremendous job in class play have won for you the position of outstanding junior of the month.

D. has done a very fine job in moving his school work despite many extracurricular activities. He is a member of the student council, a hall monitor, and one of the few Sophomore members of the V-Club. We congratulate you.

Young and petite J. D. is an accomplished member of the Freshman class. She was selected as the outstanding member of her class this month. She is not only a student, but also an active member of the student council, the Y-Teens, and the band.

### Guidance

Nancy Talley, representative from the Admissions Office of Wesleyan University, was at Van Wert High School to talk to prospective students.

### Mischievous Award



LINTERMAN  
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ARNELL FAST  
T. GAMBLE  
BOB WITHEROW 56  
OTHER !?

While athletes have the Dan-necker trophy and scholars have the N. H. S., Mr. Mason's students will bend over backwards to achieve the Mischievous award.

Chewing gum—	3 swats
Chewing gum (reload)—	9 swats
Talking—	3 swats
Exceeding speed limit while in room	1 1/2 swats
Throwing paper on floor— (left handed)	1 swat
Throwing any living object out of window	20 swats
(both hands)	
Here I sit with a meany old thought:	
Should I do it or should I not?	
Here I hold a small stick of gum	
Should I be smart or should I be dumb?	
Heavy, heavy, hang high over me	
If I put the gum in my mouth to see.	

### ASSEMBLY

The third in a series of safety educational movies were shown in the Lincoln auditorium, January 16th during activity period. The titles of the movies were "Wheel Sense," and "Day in Court."

### Commencement

He received his bachelor of arts

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### SCARLET QUILL STAFF

work for his master's degree in the New York Teachers College at Albany.

He was ordained a Methodist minister and served for 11 years in the Methodist Church at Rotterdam. Now he is engaged exclusively in lecturing.

Sherwood has proved that his blindness is no serious handicap, because he travels over 50,000 miles a year, unaccompanied, on his lecture tours.

### 'MARCH OF TIME'

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January 21—Basketball Celina, January 25—Jr. Y-Teen Y. W. C. A. Basketball at Decatur.

January 28—End of first semester. Basketball Wapak, there.

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compared with the prospects of having a complete book for one. On a poll taken among a large section of the senior class, the vote was 100% in favor of the summer issue.

The Staff has been recording all important school activities; and if time permits, a small long-playing record will be inserted in the book. This record will be a review of the year's activities, and it can be one of your most cherished possessions. How wonderful it will be ten years from now to be able to hear the crowning of the homecoming queen, the Junior and Senior class plays, music events, the Findlay and St. Marys football games, basketball, the student body singing the Alma Mat many of the other activities are making this a good all of us. If the record be reality, it will not be in the price of the book, but available only to those

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in excess of \$5.00. Assessing activity tickets have paid about one-half the actual cost of the annual. Students without activity tickets will pay \$3.50 for their book. This means that on each annual sold, the Excalibur staff has to earn the difference between cost and the selling price of their book. The staff has had to earn about \$1,000 from homecoming, penny lunches and other money making activities in order to sell the book to the student body at the present rates. We order and sell more than 500 books, there is still no profit for the staff. It just has to make money to take up an additional 100 requests are turned down last year similar rush is expected this year. If you order your book during subscription week you will be sure to get one. If you wait until the book arrives, you will find none available. The remaining books will have been sold to citizens of the community during the few days following subscription week.

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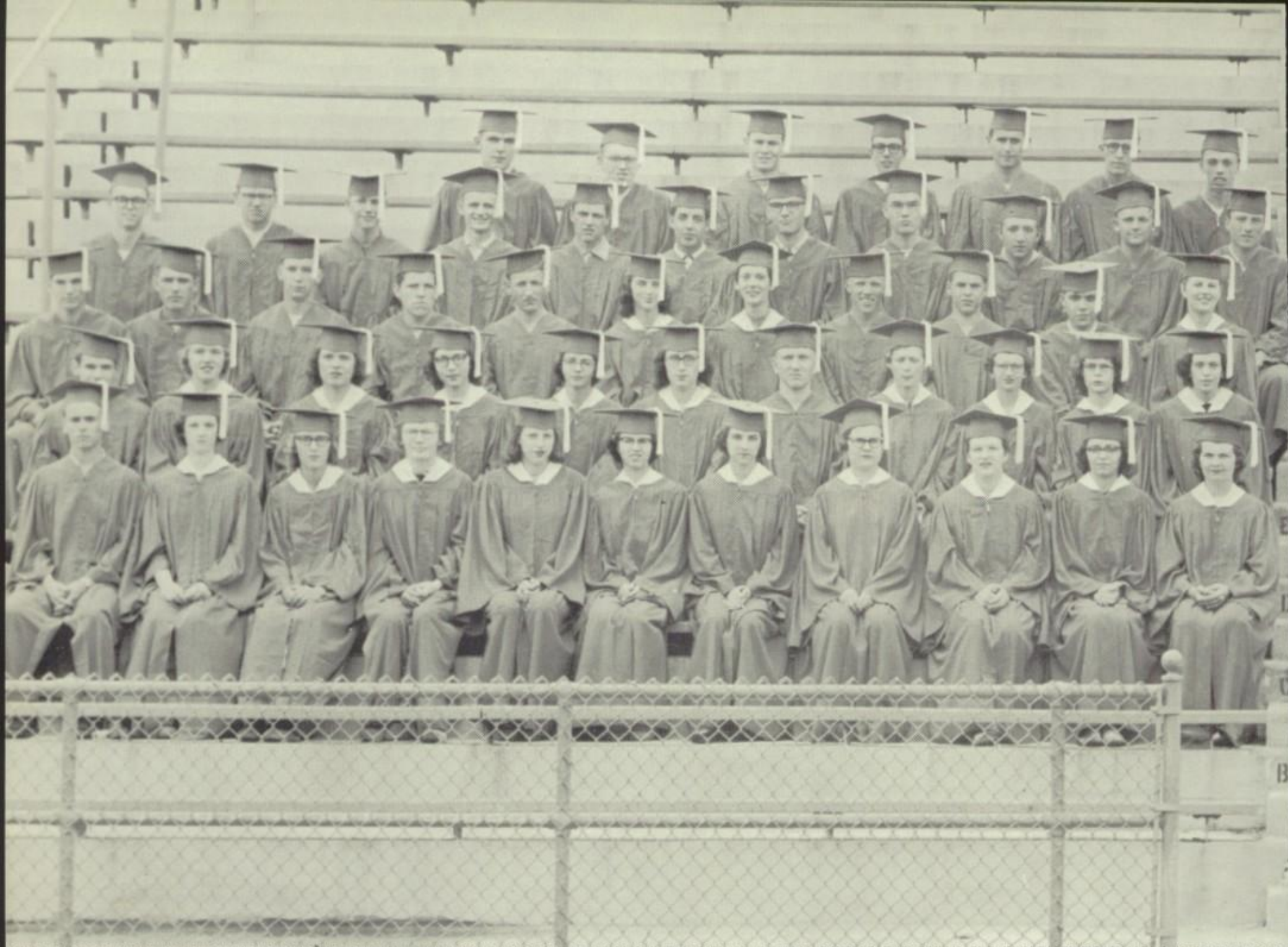
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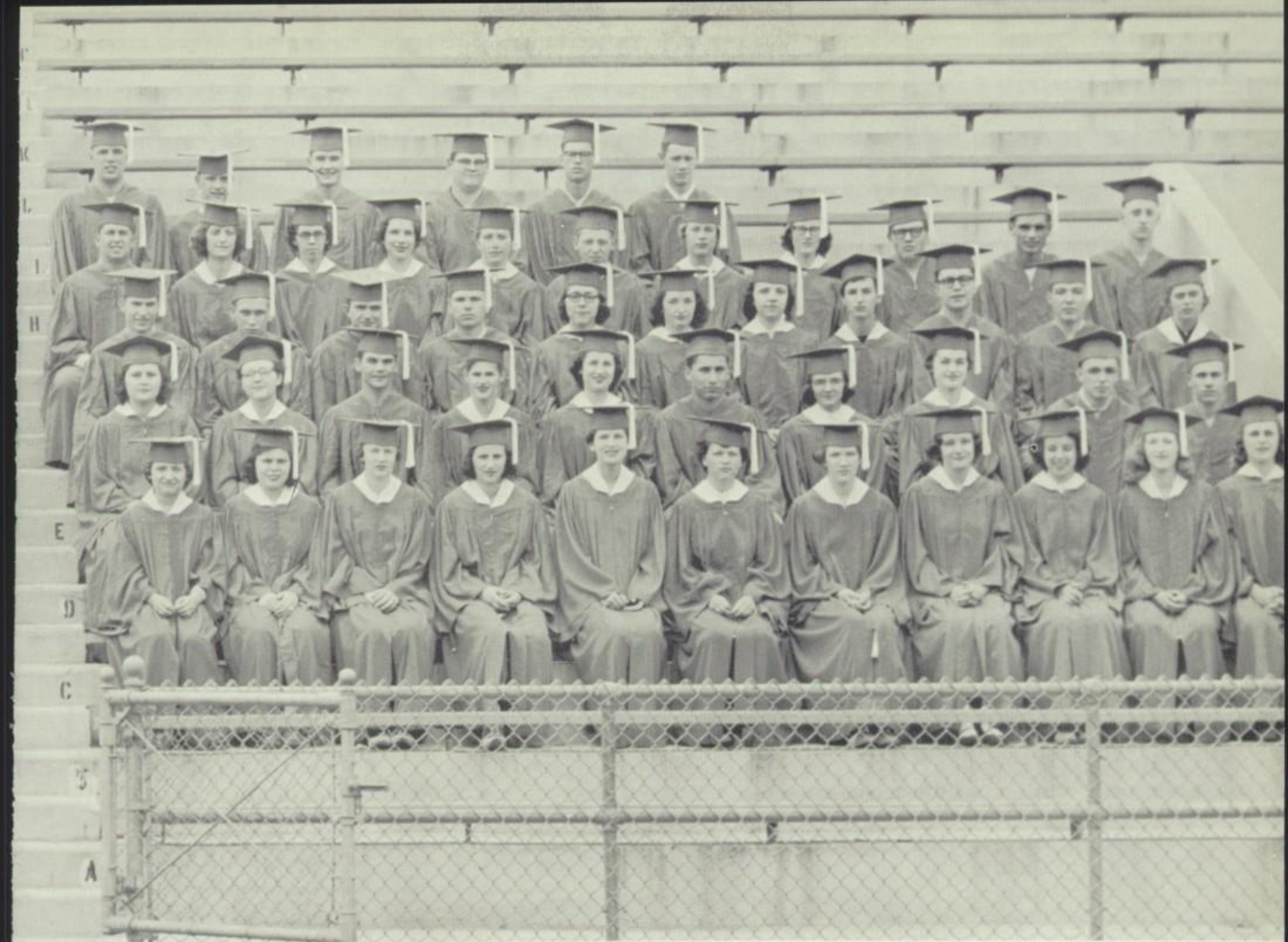






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